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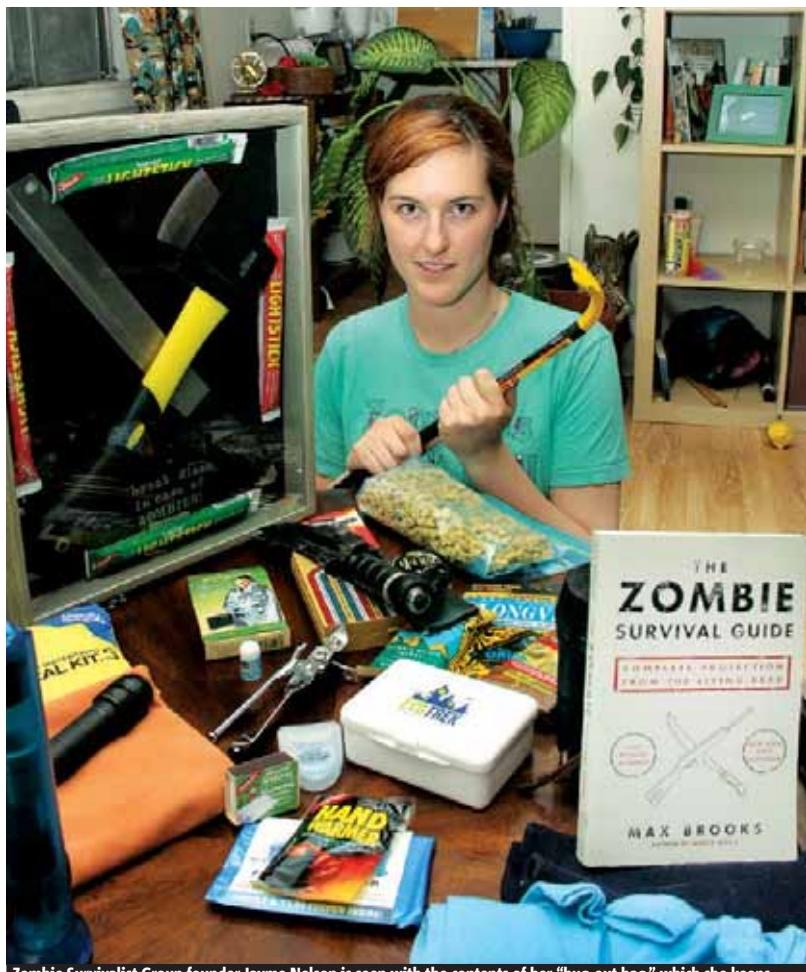
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Zombie Survivalist Group founder Jayme Nelson is seen with the contents of her "bug-out bag," which she keeps packed in the event of a zombie apocalypse. It includes items like a passport, flares, goggles, a crowbar and clothing.

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Believers prep for a zombie apocalypse

Emergency preparedness.

Parkour, archery and bartering exercises just part of preparations for end of the days

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There's little doubt a zombie apocalypse would bite.

But a group of Calgarians aren't sitting back and waiting for mindless, flesh-eating corpses to come knocking.

Instead, they're embarking on a real training regimen to prepare for an event most still believe to be more fantasy than reality.

"There has been a lot of talk about a zombie apocalypse over the past couple of years," explained Jayme Nelson, 27, founder of the local

Zombie Survivalist Group. "There is this strange conversation where people are wondering if it's legitimate to be prepared."

Out of respect for victims, Nelson didn't link the group's creation to grisly events that have captured headlines of late — including a Florida incident last month that saw one man chew off the majority of another's face.

But thousands of others have publicly made such a link to the point that it spurred the U.S. Center for Disease Control to state it "does not know of a virus or condition that would reanimate the dead."

Tim Haney, a sociologist at Mount Royal University who has done work in the area of disasters, said the survivalist group's plans — which include professional parkour training Saturday and future trips to archery ranges and emergency preparedness seminars — could help prepare members for a variety of emergencies.

"Many of the disasters and catastrophes that end up happening were the ones that, at one point, people thought were the least likely to happen," he said, pointing to the 9-11 attacks as an example.

Haney did say, however, that resources should be devoted to preparing for emergencies more likely than a ravenous zombie horde.

Nelson, meanwhile, said she is "banking" on such an incident, but added her group is "for anyone who wants to improve their self-resiliency."

The Zombie Survivalist Group charges a \$5 annual membership fee. More information can be found at meetup.com/find-the-exits.

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Attempted murder

Charges upgraded in Beltline beating

Police have upgraded charges against three people charged with beating a Colombian man in Calgary's Beltline area last month.

Jarod Donald Henry, 22, Garrett Elliott Lee Smith, 26, and Chantelle Tiffany Campbell, 27, are now all accused of attempted murder.

Their alleged victim, identified by family as John Fernando Herrera, was apparently on the way home with some groceries the night of May 23, when he was beaten.

An update from police Tuesday indicated that Herrera remains on life support in a Calgary hospital. Staff Sgt. Grant Miller said they have not had a chance to speak with Herrera given his condition. **METRO**

Have your say

City looking for citizen input on budget

The city is again asking Calgarians for their thoughts on the 2012-2014 business plans and budgets.

Calgarians provided their ideas on what the city should make a priority back in 2011, but six months later the city wants to know if those priorities have changed.

From June 12 to 30, Calgarians can weigh in on changes they would like to see made and ask questions about the budget. The information collected will then be presented to administration as they prepare adjustments for council for mid-July.

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Staff Sgt. Geoff Gawlinski addresses reporters Tuesday regarding fraud charges laid against Melissa Holman, president and founder of the Temporary Foreign Workers Association of Canada. JEREMY NOLAIS/METRO

Co-worker alleges conspiracy as founder faces fraud charges

Newcomer. Police say Japanese student was coerced into handing over \$2 million in property and cash



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Members of a Calgary-based association that claims to aid newcomers to Canada dispute fraud charges laid against its president and founder.

Police said Tuesday that Melissa Holman, 40, is charged with five counts of fraud over \$5,000 and five counts of theft. It is alleged

that Holman, who established the Temporary Foreign Workers Association (TFWA) of Canada, coerced a 55-year-old Japanese woman studying in Calgary to hand over two properties and write more than \$410,000 in bank drafts amid threats those assets could lead to her deportation.

"The victim obviously trusted this person because they had an organization that sets out to help people and, as a result, she was defrauded of a large amount of wealth," said staff Sgt. Geoff Gawlinski.

The association has remained in operation although Gawlinski said investigators are still exploring "other av-

enues" in their investigation.

Co-workers of Holman were hesitant to address the charges Tuesday, but alleged only one side of the story is being told.

"TFWA is very successful," said an employee, only identified as Lina. "There are a lot of people who would want to take over. We really believe this is a personal issue."

"It's business as usual here."

Holman could not be reached for comment Tuesday, but an undated statement posted to TFWA's website said, "I have dedicated my success to paying it forward. The more I research, the more I begin dedicating my life to helping those around me seek a better life

Foreign workers agency

A spokesperson with the Temporary Foreign Workers Association of Canada said the group has assisted thousands of newcomers over the years.

or existence within our complicated world."

Gawlinski said ownership of the two properties has been turned back over to the student and about \$90,000 has also been recovered to date.



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On the web

Ugliness in beautiful game

Soccer hooligans clashed with opposing fans and police before and during Poland's game against bitter rival Russia on Tuesday, leaving 15 injured while more than 140 people were detained. Watch the melee at metronews.ca.

Mobile news



France's political circles were up in arms over a tweet by President Francois Hollande's girlfriend. Scan the code to read about how Valerie Trierweiler dominated the news and the blogosphere most of Tuesday.

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Pride Week. Smith has fences to mend: LGBT spokesperson

Alberta Wildrose Leader Danielle Smith is to meet with members of Edmonton's gay and lesbian community today at a Pride Week event.

Organizer and community activist Kristopher Wells says Smith is welcome, but she has a lot of fence-mending to do over comments made by one of her candidates in the recent election.

Alan Hunsperger, who went on to lose, said gays need to rethink their lives or face an eternity burning in a "lake of fire."

Smith has said her party doesn't follow Hunsperger's views, but she believes every-



Danielle Smith METRO FILE

one has a right to an opinion.

Wells says he wants Smith to formally apologize for her candidate's remarks.

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Public input

Call-in set up for Highway 63 ideas

Telephone technology has been set up to give Albertans a quick way to share their ideas on how to improve the main highway to the oilsands.

Mike Allen, MLA for Fort McMurray-Wood Buffalo, will be the host for a dial-in town hall this Thursday.

Allen was appointed last month by Premier Alison Redford to come up with ways to make Highway 63 between Edmonton and the oilsands region safer.

The road has been called "Death Highway" because of the number of fatalities and injuries over the years.

The most recent accident was a fiery collision in April that killed seven people.

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Sweeping done. City's spring street cleanup is ahead of schedule

Calgarians can enjoy cleaner streets a month earlier this year, as the spring street cleanup was completed one month ahead of schedule.

According to the city, the mild weather, co-operation of Calgarians, and the hard work of the city's cleanup crews are responsible for this year's early finish of the sweeping, which normally runs from mid-April until the first week of July.

About 50,000 tonnes of winter sanding materials and other dirt and debris is removed from Calgary roads during Spring Clean-up, which improves the safety and mobility of the city, the city said.

Although the Spring Clean-up program is completed, ongoing road maintenance and sweeping will continue throughout the summer months. METRO



The city's emergency-vehicle track was not being used Tuesday afternoon, but a Calgary police deputy chief said it's become too small to provide adequate training space for all the emergency services relying on it. JEREMY NOLAIS/METRO

City's sole emergency-vehicle track 'overrun'

Facility. Police abandon search for all-in-one rural training facility



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Alarms are sounding over the tight squeeze at a driving track used by a variety of Calgary emergency services.

Deputy police chief Roger Chaffin said with Calgary Police Service officers, city and bylaw officials, EMS and fire department members all relying on the city's single emer-

gency-vehicle track in Forest Lawn, it creates a scenario that puts members at risk.

"It's overrun ... so overgrown it's become unsafe," said Chaffin.

"The track's too small; over the years we have outgrown it."

The police service had hoped to establish a new, larger track as part of a multimillion-dollar training facility near Chestermere, but Rocky View council voted against the development last year in the face of protests from area residents.

Chaffin said police have since abandoned plans for such a facility and made do by acquiring some new space to

Multi-use facility

- The city's emergency-vehicle track, located at 5811-23rd Ave. S.E., recently played host to testing of the city's new Noise Snare technology and is also used for a variety of defensive driving courses and other types of training.

address requirements for munitions training and mounted unit stables. The track, however, remains a concern.

"We are just looking for different solutions," he said. "That's a significant piece

that needs to be addressed."

Ald. Diane Colley-Urquhart, who sits on the Calgary Police Commission board, had not previously heard of concerns about the emergency-vehicle track, but vowed to look into the matter further.

"It's perhaps something we need to look at on a regional basis," she said.

Chaffin said the added space acquired for munitions and mounted unit training was done so through money already designated for the rural training facility.

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Director of Water Services Dan Limacher addresses media Tuesday. KATIE TURNER/METRO

Water probe begins

Issues. The boil-water advisory was issued Thursday night in six Calgary communities

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After a four-day boil-water advisory in three northwest communities, city officials say the investigation into what caused cloudiness in the water will now begin.

Residents in Kincora, Nolan Hill and Sage Hill spent the

Quoted

"Now that water quality has been restored, the city's focus shifts to investigating the cause of the turbidity."

Dan Limacher, director of Water Services

weekend under advisory until it was removed Tuesday morning.

The advisory was lifted on Sunday for three other communities: Sherwood, Hamptons and Hidden Valley.

"Extensive testing confirms now water quality meets all standards set out in the Canadian Drinking Water guide-

lines," said Dan Limacher, director of Water Services with the City of Calgary.

Limacher said the reservoir that was feeding water to these communities is no longer in use while they work to determine how the sediment entered the water.

Other water sources are being used to provide water to

the area. The investigation will likely take weeks, according to Limacher.

He said that, in addition to investigating the cause, a review of how officials handled the incident and communicated with Calgarians will be presented to council.

"The city will do a thorough debrief."

Limacher added the reservoir in question was built within the last few years and only came into use in recent months.

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Attic fire. Family left homeless after blaze breaks out in attic

Five members of a family in the southwest were awakened by a crackling sound coming from their attic early Tuesday morning.

They discovered a fire in their two-storey home in the 200 block of Simcrest Heights Southwest, escaped and called 911.

When fire crews arrived, flames were shooting from the roof.

The fire was confined to the attic, but the amount of water sprayed into the house caused the ceiling to collapse. The cause of the fire is under investigation, and, according to a release, smoke detectors didn't go off because the smoke didn't enter the living space.

No one sustained any injuries, but the home will not be livable for some time.



This is what remains of a family home after the roof went up in flames Tuesday morning.

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Adjacent homes were not affected.

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Abuse. Number of domestics expected to rise as weather gets hot

and August.

While Connect doesn't have a full understanding of why domestic incidents increase in summertime, Tomlinson said alcohol consumption, added summer stresses, and the fact that hot weather increases irritability could be attributed to the increase.

Connect Family and Sexual Abuse Network is cautioning that the hot weather could flare incidents of domestic violence in Calgary.

"As the temperature rises, so can tempers," warned Deb Tomlinson, project manager at Connect.

Last year, Calgary saw a 15 per cent increase in domestic disputes over July

and August.

While Connect doesn't have a full understanding of why domestic incidents increase in summertime, Tomlinson said alcohol consumption, added summer stresses, and the fact that hot weather increases irritability could be attributed to the increase.

Connect encourages Calgarians to recognize the stresses that can trigger the violence and reach out for support.

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Cindy Christensen and Sundar Ranjiktar were two participants in the United Way's study about how best to help those living in poverty achieve greater well-being. TESSA CLAYTON/FOR METRO

United Way report puts poverty in crosshairs

United Way. Report listened to what those living in poverty are saying

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A new report released by the Calgary area United Way has

given insight into a complex issue regarding poverty and low-income families and how best to help them out of their situation.

The report, titled "From Getting By To Getting Ahead," gathered information from more than 600 participants and used several in-depth interviews to get a glimpse of what really needs to be done to help those climbing out of poverty.

Sundar Ranjiktar and Cindy Christensen were two participants in the study, and both agreed that recommendations in the report will make a big difference to Calgarians living in poverty.

"Of course this will make a big difference. We have the commitment from the chair that they're going to implement these — they're going to plan," said Ranjiktar.

"Especially with these organizations helping people to get out of poverty, I think that the city will change for the better," Christensen added.

The report identified six areas to help families achieve greater well-being, including improving access to services and making systemic changes, and specific recommendations for each area.

Dr. Lucy Miller, president

and CEO of the United Way Calgary, said the report's timing is great.

"This is another example of the stage we're at in our city where we're facing the few barriers that are keeping us from maximizing our potential," she said.

"We're not walking away, we're approaching them head-on and saying some things are unacceptable."

Calgary police

Help sought in solving convenience store robberies

Calgary police are asking for the public's help in finding those responsible for a series of convenience store robberies in the northwest.

Four 7-11s along Centre Street N and Edmonton Trail Northeast were robbed a total of seven times between May 13 and June 11 by culprits with concealed faces and armed with a knife, according to the Calgary police. **METRO**

Vulcan

Star Trek town makes Lonely Planets' top 5

Travel website Lonely Planet has named Vulcan, Alta., in its top 5 Big Roadside Attractions list.

Paying tribute to its sci-fi namesake, Vulcan, located about 1.5 hours southeast of Calgary, has been greeting visitors with its construction of the Star Trek starship FX6-1995-A since the mid-'90s. Vulcan tourism co-ordinator Catherine Pooley said that, despite being a small town, residents are working hard at becoming the top-ranked destination for sci-fi and Star Trek fans, and making Lonely Planet's list "is just one more way to tell tourists we are ranking in the universe."

The town of approximately 2,000 people also boasts the title of official Star Trek capital of Canada. **METRO**

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Oil spill. Drinking-water samples normal near leak, company says

Water samples from the Red Deer River have almost all been normal, says Plains Midstream Canada, owner of the pipeline that leaked oil into the central Alberta river.

Company spokesman Stephen Bart says monitoring is being done twice a day at 18 sites along the river and at a man-made reservoir. All the readings — except one on the first day — have been within provincial guidelines for drinking water, he said.

A vacuum station will be built along the river in the next few days to suck up any

Cause under investigation

- It's believed a section of the pipeline that runs under the river near Sundre leaked, but spokesman Stephen Bart says the company doesn't know for sure.

residual oil. Bart says the company has talked to almost 1,700 people who own land or live along the river to keep them up-to-date.

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Fundraising event

ALS run reaches milestone

Calgarians raised \$475,000 at Betty's Run for ALS last Sunday, helping the run to reach a \$5-million milestone. The money will be donated to the ALS Society of Alberta, which helps those living with ALS receive vital equipment and support. **METRO**

Legacy award

Stampede praised for helping youth

The Calgary Stampede will be honoured with a legacy award from the Boys and Girls Clubs of Calgary. The award recognizes the Stampede Work Experience Program's 40-year commitment to youth, teaching thousands of young people valuable job skills. **METRO**

Young brothers show they care about the homeless

Calgary Care Bags.

Garth Brooks tickets are also up for grabs to help Inn from the Cold

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Two young brothers were so troubled by a homeless man's plight that they decided to do something about it.

"I felt disappointed that he didn't get anything," Adam Yates-Laberge, 10, said about the panhandler.

He and his brother, Andrew, 11, came up with Calgary Care Bags as a way to help those less fortunate: 50 care-backpacks for all ages were donated to the non-profit Inn from the Cold.

And they're auctioning off a very hot commodity to raise money to fill the bags: two tickets to the Garth Brooks concert during the Stampede.

"There are other human beings out there who need help, so give them a helping hand," Andrew said, adding



Andrew and Adam Yates-Laberge stuff a backpack with necessities they want to donate to the non-profit group Inn from the Cold. The pair are trying to raise funds to buy the backpacks and goodies. TESSA CLAYTON/FOR METRO

he'd rather spend the night of the concert playing video games with his friends.

The boys have been soliciting donations, creating websites and getting their community involved to reach their goal.

Their school, Queen Elizabeth Elementary, is holding an artisan sale of baked goods, art and jewelry on Friday to help with donations as well.

"You talk a lot about these things and helping your fellow man, but you don't know how

much they're really listening," mom Claire Laberge said. "So to hear them really care about it and move it forward ... it makes you proud."

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Muslims fleeing Myanmar violence blocked

Buddhist-Muslim violence.

Foreign minister says Bangladeshi resources already strained; 1,500 refugees stopped

Bangladesh on Tuesday turned away three boats carrying 1,000 Rohingya

Muslims fleeing violence in neighbouring Myanmar.

This brings to 1,500 the number of refugees blocked in recent days, officials said.

"They have been chased away," police official Jahan-gir Alam said by phone from Saint Martins Island in the Bay of Bengal after the three boats attempted to approach the shore of the island.

"We are keeping our eyes open so that nobody can enter Bangladesh illegally."

'Chased away'

"We are keeping our eyes open so that nobody can enter Bangladesh illegally."

Police official Jahan-gir Alam

ter Bangladesh illegally." Violence between Buddhists and minority Muslims in western Myanmar has left

at least 12 people dead and hundreds of homes burned since Friday.

Bangladesh earlier said it sent back 11 boats with about 500 Rohingya Muslims aboard in the past three days.

Foreign Minister Dipu Moni said at a news conference in the capital, Dhaka, that it was not in Bangladesh's interest to accept any refugees.

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A Rohingya Muslim family who fled Myanmar to Bangladesh to escape violence waits in Bangladesh on Tuesday. ANURUP TITU/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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Syria. UN observers en route to rebel-held town blocked by loyalists

Angry crowds blocked UN observers from reaching an embattled rebel-held town in Syria on Tuesday, hurling stones and metal rods at the monitors' vehicles.

Their vehicles came under fire as they drove away from Haffa, but the source of the gunfire was not clear, the UN said.

None of the observers were injured.

The situation in Haffa has raised alarm over the past eight days, and there are concerns civilians are stuck in the area while the regime and rebel fighters battle for control.

Washington said Monday that regime forces may be preparing a massacre in rebel-held Haffa — a village about 30 km from Assad's hometown of Kardaha.

It's not clear why the crowd wanted to prevent the observers from entering, but the Britain-based Syrian Observatory for Human Rights said earlier that residents of a nearby village were trying to block the observers.

The Observatory said the residents were mostly re-



Free Syrian Army fighters sit in a house in Aleppo, Syria, Tuesday. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Civil war near, some say

Both sides in the 15-month-old revolt to oust President Bashar Assad have ignored an internationally brokered ceasefire that was to go into effect in April.

- Syria is veering closer to an all-out civil war as the conflict turns increasingly militarized.

gime loyalists.
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Egypt

Liberals boycott parliamentary session

Egypt's march to democracy hit another obstacle Tuesday when liberals boycotted a parliamentary session called to name members of a panel to draw up a new constitution.

They complained that Islamists are trying to dominate the process.

A new constitution is key to Egypt's turbulent transition to democratic rule after decades of authoritarian regimes. Egyptians hope the charter will curtail presidential power.

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Afghanistan

Karzai orders coalition not to fire on homes

Afghan President Hamid Karzai declared on Tuesday that NATO aircraft can no longer fire on homes under any circumstances.

His statement is an indication that the conflict over NATO airstrikes that kill civilians — including one that left 18 dead last week — remains unresolved.

Following an outcry over the attack in Logar province, which killed children, teenagers and adults, NATO imposed new limits on airstrikes.

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Quebec. Student groups' lawyers fighting to have protest law suspended

Lawyers were heading to court Tuesday to challenge a controversial Quebec law brought in to deal with student protests.

The government introduced the law as a way to cool down the heated protests.

But it may have backfired politically, as protests have grown larger, attracted more diverse crowds, and spread to different cities.

Nearly 20 lawyers representing student federations and other groups are trying to get parts of the law temporarily suspended until they can argue the merits.

Bill 78 came into force in mid-May, but police across the province have rarely applied it.

The legal motion being heard in court is one of two challenging the emergency law. The second seeks to have Bill 78 declared invalid altogether, and will be heard at a later date.

The law lays out rules for demonstrations, such as ordering assemblies of more than 50 people to give eight hours' notice of the protest route and the estimated dur-

Salute condemned

So-called Nazi salutes at some Quebec student protests are being condemned by Jewish organizations.

- Chanting protesters have called police fascists and "the SS," and compared them to Nazi police because of their alleged brutality.
- B'nai Brith Canada says the Nazi salutes desecrate the memory of those who died in the Holocaust, those who survived it and those who fought against the Nazis in the Second World War.

ation of the event.

It also sets hefty fines for people who contravene the law.

A lawyer arguing on behalf of students says the government treats student associations like labour unions without giving them the same rights.

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Sadness for a giant of the ocean

A beach in British Columbia is the final resting place for this young humpback whale, and a crowd pays its last respects — even laying a bouquet of flowers. The whale became entangled in a fishing net and died after grounding itself during low tide on White Rock Beach, south of Vancouver. Fisheries official Paul Cottrell said of the emaciated eight- to 10-metre-long juvenile: "It had been struggling for a long time and likely hadn't been eating for a long time." DARRYL DYCK/THE CANADIAN PRESS

Eaton Centre

Shooting claims second victim

A second victim of the shooting at Toronto's Eaton Centre has died. Police identified him as Nixon Nirmalendran, 22. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Prostitution

Girl, 17, sought in trafficking case

Ottawa police are hunting for a 17-year-old girl who allegedly lured other young girls over the Internet and then forced them into prostitution.

Two 15-year-old girls are already in custody, charged with luring girls. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Marathon session

MPs' new policy: No Z's, please

Members of Parliament are preparing for 24 hours of voting on more than 800 proposed amendments to the Tories' Bill C-38. THE CANADIAN PRESS

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Ksenia Sobchak exits a car at Russia's top investigation agency, where she was questioned Tuesday. MIKHAIL METZEL/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Ignored veil ban. France bars three Saudi women

A police union says three Saudi women who refused to remove their face veils at Paris' Charles de Gaulle airport have been barred entry to France.

A 2011 French law bans people from wearing Islamic face-covering veils anywhere in public.

An official with the SGP-FO police union said Tuesday that border police asked the women to remove their veils after they arrived on Monday on a flight from Doha, Qatar.

Gay marriage

U.K. Catholics and Anglicans are united in opposition

The Church of England and Roman Catholic bishops of England and Wales formally objected Tuesday to the British government's proposal to permit gay marriages.

Prime Minister David Cameron is backing a proposal to permit civil marriages for gay couples, despite the strong opposition of some lawmakers in his Conservative Party.

Gay couples are already allowed to have civil partnerships.

The traditional marriage group Coalition for Marriage delivered a petition with more than half a million signatures to Cameron's office, opposing the change.

"The uniqueness of the institution of marriage is based on the fact that the human person exists as both male and female and that their union for the purpose of procreation, mutual support and love has, over the centuries ... formed a stable unit which we call the family," the Catholic bishops argued.

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Principles

Supporters of the veil ban say the veil contradicts France's principles of secularism and women's rights. Some Muslim groups say it stigmatizes moderate Muslims.

The official says the women refused, border police refused them entry in France, and they returned to Doha Monday night.

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Extradition

Assange turns to top U.K. court to fight his move to Sweden

WikiLeaks chief Julian Assange has asked Britain's Supreme Court to reopen his extradition case, a step aimed at blocking removal to Sweden.

British Supreme Court spokesperson Ben Wilson confirmed Tuesday that papers had been lodged in the high-profile case, which has dragged on for the better part of two years.

The Supreme Court rejected Assange's last-ditch appeal against extradition to Sweden last month.

Reopening a Supreme Court case after a ruling has been made is virtually unheard of, and legal experts say it would be a major embarrassment for Britain's most senior judges.

"It would be very damaging for their reputation," Julian Knowles, a lawyer with London's Matrix Chambers, said last month.

Assange, 40, is wanted in Sweden over allegations of rape and molestation. He has not been charged and denies any wrongdoing.

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Star's secret stash of cash

Some piggybank!

Russian investigators confiscate \$1.7 million glamorous TV host hid in envelopes

A glamorous TV host who's called the Paris Hilton of Russia is paying an expensive price for becoming a face of the anti-Putin protest.

When investigators raided Ksenia Sobchak's Moscow apartment, they confiscated \$1.7 million she'd stashed in more than 100 envelopes.

Vladimir Markin, a spokesperson for the investigators, said they found more than 1 million euros (\$1.25 million) and \$480,000 in cash during Monday's raid — one of several on protest leaders' homes.

Markin said they will try to determine if Sobchak paid taxes on the money, and also look into what she planned to do with it.

Ksenia sounds off

"I never thought that we would slide back into such repressions."

Ksenia Sobchak, complaining about the raid on Twitter

keep her savings at home because she doesn't trust banks. She said on Twitter that her annual income exceeds \$2 million.

While it's not uncommon for wealthy Russians to keep large amounts of cash at home, authorities are likely to use her wealth to illustrate their depiction of the opposition as a bunch of spoiled rich kids at odds with the majority of Russia's population.

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Cops clear mom in old dingo case

Mystery. It took four inquests, 32 years to clear mother accused of killing her own baby



Lindy Chamberlain-Creighton in 1982. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS FILE

Australians have overwhelmingly welcomed the final chapter of a mystery that has captivated the country for 32 years: Did a dingo really take a baby that vanished from an Outback campsite in 1980?

A country that was once bitterly divided on whether baby Azaria Chamberlain had been dragged away by a wild dog or murdered by her mother now largely agrees that the parents deserve the vindication a coroner's court provided Tuesday.

A day after Azaria Chamberlain would have turned 32, a coroner found that a dingo had taken her as a nine-week-old baby from a tent near Ayers Rock, the red monolith now known as Uluru.

Lindy Chamberlain-Creigh-

ton and her ex-husband, Michael Chamberlain, teared up as the findings of the fourth inquest into their daughter's disappearance were broadcast from a courtroom in Darwin to televisions around Australia.

The first inquest in 1981 had blamed a dingo but a second inquest charged Chamberlain-Creighton with murder. A third inquest in 1995 left the cause of death open. The case became famous through the movie *A Cry in the Dark*.

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Miner grievances ablaze in Spain

An undercover miner is seen next to burning tires on a motorway in Campomanes, Spain, on Tuesday. Strikes, road blockades and mine sit-ins continued as 8,000 workers at over 40 coal mines in Spain protested against government action to cut coal subsidies. EMILIO MORENATTI/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Falkland Islands. Referendum will decide contentious governance issue

The Falkland Islands said Tuesday it plans a referendum next year on the political future of the tiny south Atlantic archipelago, seeking to end

Argentina's claims of sovereignty and to secure its status as a British territory. The announcement came ahead of Thursday's 30th anniversary of the end of a brief 1982 war between Britain and Argentina over the islands, which saw more than 900 people die.

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Survival

Face-chewing victim doing OK

A homeless man whose face was mostly chewed off in an attack is alert at a Miami hospital. The top two-thirds of his face is covered in scabs, he's missing his nose, and both eye sockets are covered. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Trayvon trial

Zimmerman's wife accused of perjury

Authorities say the wife of Trayvon Martin's shooter is being accused of lying to a judge about their finances during a bond hearing and faces one count of perjury.

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Messing around

Yacht explosion a costly hoax

Two hoax calls reporting an explosion on a yacht off New Jersey triggered a rescue effort that cost at least \$88,000 US and lasted more than four hours. The matter is now being investigated.

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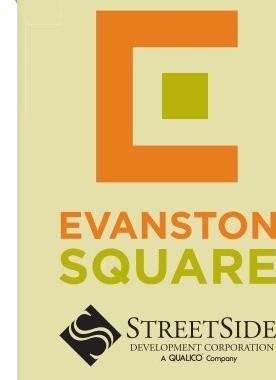
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Stuntman fundraising for Niagara walk

Unforeseen expenses.

Historic tightrope walk over famous falls will cost over \$1 million

Walking a highwire over Niagara Falls isn't only a dicey proposition; it turns out it's pretty pricey, too.

Daredevil Nik Wallenda estimates his history-making, U.S.-to-Canada walk by way of a cable strung over the brink will cost about \$1.2 to \$1.3 million. That includes fabrication and installation of the custom-made steel wire, permits and security, travel and marketing.

A deal with ABC to televise the event live during prime

time Friday will offset some of his expenses, 33-year-old Wallenda said. "But definitely not anywhere near all of it."

And the tab seems to grow by the day. "The hard part is prices have changed and gone up. There are things that can come up that are just completely unforeseen," Wallenda said by phone from Branson, Mo., where he was juggling walk preparations with production of a stage show with his high-flying family. Wallenda, who lives in Sarasota, Fla., is a seventh-generation member of the Flying Wallendas.

There hasn't been much time to line up sponsors — the walk date was settled only about six weeks ago — so Wallenda is asking the public for

Online donations

\$15,300

The video on the fundraising website Indiegogo had by midday Tuesday raised over \$15,300 toward a \$50,000 goal.

donations.

Wallenda plans to walk about 550 metres across the falls at 60 metres above the gorge bottom. If successful, he will be the first to cross over the brink of the famous falls. Others have crossed over the gorge downstream but not for more than 100 years.

"We need stuff like this," Wallenda says on a video on the fundraising website Indiegogo.

"We need things to encourage people that the impossible is actually possible."

Wallenda has agreed to pay Canadian authorities \$105,000 for things like extra security, crowd control, fencing and portable toilets for the estimated 100,000 spectators. He also must supply a \$50,000 letter of credit, which would be used only in the event of a water rescue, said Niagara Parks Commission chairwoman Janice Thomson. Such a rescue is more unlikely now that ABC is requiring Wallenda to be tethered to the wire.

To U.S. authorities, Wallenda paid a \$5,000 permit fee and will reimburse New York state \$150,000 for state police and transportation services. He also



Nik Wallenda practises on a tightrope ahead of his walk over Niagara Falls, scheduled for Friday. DAVID DUPREY/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

was asked for a \$25,000 deposit to ensure he restores the park to its original condition.

For \$5, donors get a picture from the walk; for \$10, an autographed poster. As of mid-day Tuesday, one person had

pledged \$5,000 for access to a VIP viewing area and dinner with Wallenda. There were no takers for a private backyard wirewalking lesson, dinner and VIP viewing, for \$10,000.

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Trans-Pacific agreement. U.S. chamber backs Canada

The U.S. Chamber of Commerce supports Canada's entry into Trans-Pacific Partnership negotiations for a free-trade agreement with lucrative Asian markets, the powerful business lobby said Tuesday.

Thomas Donohue says the business group strongly favours Canada's participation, adding that the United States and Canada could help boost the world

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Bombardier shares surge on massive business-jet order

Major deal. NetJets Inc., a Warren Buffett company, signed the deal to buy up to 275 Bombardier Challengers — worth up to \$7.3 billion US

Bombardier Inc. shares soared in trading on Tuesday after a major deal with one of renowned billionaire investor Warren Buffett's companies, which is poised to buy up to \$9.6 billion worth of business jets and services.

Private jet company NetJets Inc. signed a deal on Monday to buy up to 275 Bombardier Challenger business jets that could be worth up to \$7.3 billion US. There are 100 firm orders and options on 175 more.

Bombardier said it has also signed a 15-year service and maintenance agreement for

the aircraft valued at as much as an additional \$2.3 billion if all options are exercised.

Bombardier shares gained more than six per cent, or 22 cents, to close at \$3.87 Cdn on heavy volume of more than 21.2-million shares on the Toronto Stock Exchange.

"This purchase demonstrates our long-term planning and represents our ongoing commitment to providing unparalleled safety and service in aircraft uniquely customized for our owners," NetJets chairman and CEO Jordan Hansell said in a statement.

"We are confident that NetJets' market leadership and strong foundation position us to make long-term investments in our business to differentiate our fleet in ways that no one else in the industry can."

NetJets is a unit of Berkshire Hathaway Inc., Buffett's main company.

The deal includes 75 firm orders and 125 options for the Challenger 300 Series

Higher expectations
"The magnitude of the order is likely much larger than market expectations."

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aircraft as well as 25 firm orders and 50 options for the larger Challenger 605 Series aircraft. The firm orders are worth \$2.6 billion based on 2012 list prices.

The order follows a deal this year that saw NetJets order up to 120 of Bombardier's Global business jets in a deal worth as much as \$6.7 billion US.

Deliveries are already expected to increase this year and in 2013. The first Challenger 300 will be delivered in 2014 while the first larger Challenger 605 will be delivered in 2015.

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2012 Civics being recalled in Canada

Honda Canada is voluntarily recalling approximately 12,587 of its popular 2012 Civics in Canada.

The carmaker wants to inspect and, if necessary, replace the left driveshaft, which may not have been properly pressed into the CV joint during assembly. If the driveshaft separates from the joint, the engine will no longer propel the vehicle.

No accidents have been reported related to the issue. THE CANADIAN PRESS

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Bids for new Internet suffixes include .lol

If Google has its way, people won't need "Google.com" to do searches. They can simply go to ".Google."

New York City wants Internet addresses ending in ".nyc," while several companies and groups are looking to create "doctor," ".music" and ".bank." Google Inc. is also seeking "YouTube" and ".lol" — the digital shorthand for "laugh out loud." Others are looking to attract non-English speakers with suffixes in a variety of languages.

Some 2,000 proposals have been submitted as part of the largest expansion of the Internet address system since its creation in the 1980s.

These suffixes would rival ".com" and about 300 others now in use. Companies would be able to create separate web-



Alex Stamos, CTO of Artemis Internet, an NCC Group Company, poses by a domain-name poster at their offices in San Francisco. Some 2,000 proposals have been submitted as part of the largest expansion of the Internet address system since its creation in the 1980s. ERIC RISBERG/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

sites and separate addresses for each of their products and brands, for instance, even as they keep their existing ".com" name.

One day, you might go to

list and other details in London, England, on Wednesday.

It'll take at least a year or two, however, for the first of these new suffixes to win approval and appear in use. Some of them never will if they are found to violate trademarks or are deemed offensive. Others will be delayed as competing bidders quarrel for easy-to-remember words such as ".web."

ICANN has received at least \$350 million US in applications fees, which will pay for the organization's costs setting up the system, reviewing applications and making sure parties do what they have promised once the suffix is operational. Some of the money will be set aside to cover potential lawsuits from unsuccessful applicants and others.

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Burger King. They've done it — a bacon sundae

Burger King wants to lure customers in the U.S. this summer with a barbecue party — and a bacon sundae — soft vanilla ice cream served with fudge, caramel, bacon crumbles and a piece of bacon — that started in Nashville this year.

The salty-sweet dessert clocks in at 510 calories, 18 grams of fat and 61 grams of sugar. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS



Burger King's bacon sundae.
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BEAUTY IS WHAT'S BEHIND YOUR NEXT RAISE



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Paul Sullivan

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When Maria Sharapova won the French Open on Saturday, it was another victory for the Beautiful People.

Sharapova, all six-foot-two of her, is gorgeous. But, then, so are a lot of tennis players these days. Somewhere along the line, right at Anna Kournikova, perhaps, it became important for female tennis players to be beautiful as well as talented.

Partial list: Daniela Hantuchova, Sabine Lisicki, Vera Zvonareva, Lucie Safarova, Maria Kirilenko, Simona Halep, Tatiana Golovin, as well as the aforementioned Kournikova and Sharapova. Apparently, it doesn't hurt if you're Eastern European either.

One honest BBC producer has admitted that "babes and Brits" get the centre-court treatment at Wimbledon while less attractive players have to grunt it out on the outer courts.

But that's the way of the world. If you're gorgeous, you're golden.

Daniel Hamermesh, a professor at the University of Texas in Austin and author of *Beauty Pays*, estimates that, in a lifetime, a bad-looking person can earn \$230,000 less than a good-looking person, all other things being equal.

The truth about looking good is out there.

In the job market: Attractive people get more job recommendations, are considered more qualified, less likely to be fired, more likely to be hired, more likely to succeed, to be paid more, and to be promoted more frequently.

In the courts: Juries think physically attractive people are less likely to be guilty. Attractive people get lower bail, lighter sentences and smaller fines. Except maybe not Luka Magnotta. But imagine how much trouble he'd be in if he was really ugly?

In school: Attractive people get better grades.

On Facebook: Attractive people are more "friended" than ugly people.

Sex: Attractive people get more dates, have more sex and even have more orgasms.

OK, too much information, perhaps. Good thing I'm attractive.

Did I mention that, generally, men tend to overestimate their good looks? Women go the opposite way. More than eight out of 10 hate the way they look in a mirror. One study showed women see themselves as fatter after eating a single chocolate bar. It would have to be a 35,000-calorie chocolate bar for that to be true.

Hamermesh — whose wife thinks he looks average — finds that 70 per cent of people agree on what's attractive most of the time. It has to do with symmetry. The more symmetrical you look, the more attractive you are. Jug ears are out.

So that "beauty is in the eye of the beholder" stuff is fine ... just as long as you're beautiful.

Have a nice day and, if possible, stay away from mirrors. They're bad luck, in more ways than one.



Maria Sharapova holds up the award for most beautiful person Coupe Suzanne Lenglen after the women's singles final of the French Open on Saturday. GETTY IMAGES

Smuggling attempt foiled



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Bengal tiger trafficking

Three cubs rescued in house raid

A caretaker bottle-feeds a rescued Bengal tiger cub in Dhaka, Bangladesh, on Tuesday. Bangladeshi officials Monday rescued three Bengal tiger cubs from an alleged wildlife smuggler's house in the capital.

The cubs, about two months old, had been captured in the southwestern Sundarbans mangrove forests in Bangladesh.

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Rescued Bengal tiger cubs are pictured after a house raid in Bangladesh's capital. The AFP reported the house was allegedly a hub for illegal wildlife trade, indicated by several empty cages. GETTY IMAGES

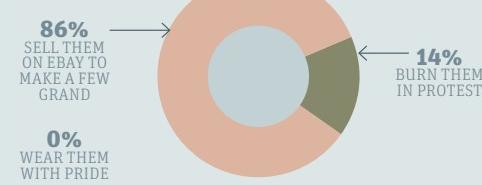
Endangered

- The suspected smuggler in possession of the cubs at the time of the raid was arrested, the BBC reported.
- The cubs have been handed over to a private zoo until their fate is decided by a government committee.
- There are 440 Bengal tigers in Bangladesh and less than 2,500 worldwide, according to wildlife-conservation organization IUCN.



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Quick changes

Grammy producer discusses Houston doc

Producers of the 54th Grammy Awards have created a documentary showing how they adapted to the news of Whitney Houston's death less than 24 hours before the live telecast.

A Death in the Family: The Show Must Go On premiered Monday at the Academy of Television Arts and Sciences' headquarters in Los Angeles. Ken Ehrlich, who has produced the Grammy Awards for the past 32 years, introduced the film and participated in a panel discussion afterward with Recording Academy president Neil Portnow, Grammy host LL Cool J, musician Dave Grohl and others.

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ABC urges judge not to block The Glass House, cites differences from 'Big Brother,' except confinement

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Cruise stars as art imitates life (again) in Rock of Ages

Fantasy reflects reality. Like other films in the genre, this Shankman effort draws heavily on how rock stars live their lives



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In Rock of Ages Tom Cruise plays superstar Stacee Jaxx. He's Ozzy Osbourne with Axl Rose's attitude and Prince's trademarked revealing chaps, a spicy stew of rebellion, decadence and Jack Daniels.

The first time we see Jaxx in the film he's on a round

bed, buried under several scantily clad women. It's a memorable first look at the character, but it's not exactly an original one.

Director Adam Shankman admits that the idea came from a similar scene — featuring KISS singer Paul Stanley — in the heavy metal documentary *The Decline of Western Civilization Part II: The Metal Years*.

It's not the first time a music movie has taken its cue from real rock life.

For a year before shooting playing Jim Morrison in *The Doors* Val Kilmer immersed himself in the singer's life, wearing his clothes and spending time at the Lizard King's favorite Sunset Strip bars.

Despite the film's many factual errors — drummer

John Densmore claims "A third of it is fiction" — the recording studio scene where Jim smashes a TV is true, and even Jim's disgruntled ex-band mates said they couldn't distinguish Kilmer's voice from the real Morrison's.

The Doors weren't the only musicians fooled by an actor.

Joan Jett was annoyed that Kristen Stewart wore leather pants when playing her in *The Runaways* — it would have been more authentic if she had worn jeans she said — but she was impressed with Stewart's voice. When she first heard a recording of the actress belting out one of her songs she thought it was actually a tape of her old band.

Sex Pistols' singer Johnny Rotten dismissed Sid and

Big-time show

Some facts about the Rock of Ages movie:

- Decisions.** Will Ferrell and Steve Carell were considered for Alec Baldwin's role; and Taylor Swift was considered for Julianne Hough's.
- Location.** The film was shot in Fort Lauderdale, Florida.
- Big budget.** It cost more than \$70 million to make.

Nancy — the story of Sid Vicious's life and death — as "mere fantasy" but Gary Oldham bought at least one au-

thentic bit of Sid to the film by wearing the bass player's real chain necklace in several scenes. Sid's mom gave the actor the necklace to wear during filming.

Just as Shankman and Cruise borrowed from *The Decline of Western Civilization*, the Bob Dylan doc *Don't Look Back* has inspired scenes in movies such as *Bob Roberts* and *I'm Not There*.

The mockumentary *Walk Hard: The Dewey Cox Story* parodies the movie in a press conference scene when a reporter compares Dewey to Dylan. "Why doesn't anyone ask Bob Dylan why he sounds so much like Dewey Cox?" Dewey replies, echoing Dylan's response to a reporter who likened Dylan to singer-songwriter Donovan.

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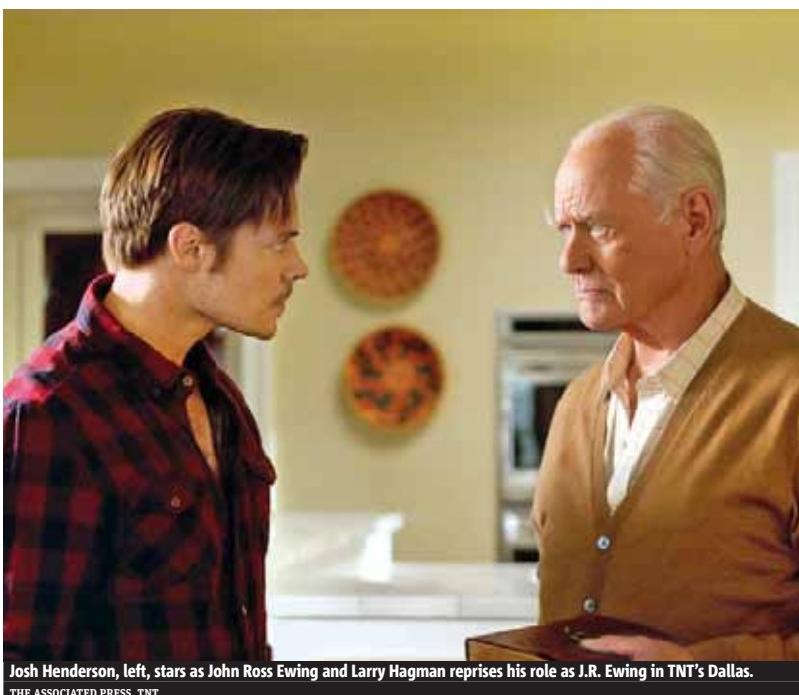
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Josh Henderson, left, stars as John Ross Ewing and Larry Hagman reprises his role as J.R. Ewing in TNT's Dallas.

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Guess who's back?

Television. Dallas is reborn on TNT with new characters, conflicts and villainy — and JR Ewing, too

"I hate to hit a man below the belt, but you know I will," says JR Ewing. "No hard feelings."

No hard feelings at all, JR. We're just feeling thrilled to have you back.

And as he resumes his special grade of sweet-crude villainy, TNT's resurrection of Dallas does the near-impossible. It reclaims the soapy and sinister charm that made this saga a hit for 14 seasons until relinquishing its hold on CBS' Friday lineup in 1991. And it ushers in a new generation of at-odds characters to supplement such timeless personalities as JR (Larry Hagman), his former wife Sue Ellen (Linda Gray) and his ever-upright brother Bobby (Patrick Duffy), while folding in contemporary plot lines, notably the push by Bobby's son Christopher to profit big from renewable energy — which, of course, is heresy to JR and his own son John Ross, whose veins flow with oil.

All this awaits viewers on the back-to-business Dallas (with a two-hour premiere Wednesday at 9 p.m. ET).

But wait! There's even more to look forward to: JR, undiminished by the passing years, is meaner and more diabolical than ever.

"In my wildest imagination," Bobby's wife Ann (played by Brenda Strong) wails at him, "I never dreamed you would stoop to this," to which JR advises, "Well, you're just gonna

Showtime

Dallas premieres Wednesday at 9 p.m. on Bravo and in the U.S. on TNT.

The new version lovingly honours its grand heritage, including the proud theme music and opening titles, with their shifting panels of updated Texas imagery.

have to work on your imagination."

As the series begins, Bobby is preparing to sell Southfork to a conservancy that would guarantee the ranch's vast, pristine acreage can never be despoiled by oil rigs. Little does Bobby suspect that his nephew, John Ross, is already drilling Southfork land on the sly.

Across town, JR, who since we last saw him lost Ewing Oil and much of his fortune, resides in near-catatonic gloom at a retirement facility.

But never fear: News that Southfork is about to be sold jolts JR back to gleeful, vengeful life. His cold hawk eyes glint. His tufted eyebrows rise like devil's horns. His wicked grin gleams.

"It feels like coming home," says Larry Hagman.

He's talking about the new Dallas and the opportunity to play JR again in the company of his Dallas pals. The only thing bothering the 80-year-old TV legend right now: the salsa before him needs a little kick. "You got any hotter stuff?" he asks the waiter.

Hagman, his Stetson parked on the table by his plate, has joined Linda Gray and Josh

Henderson, who plays their son, at a barbecue restaurant in midtown Manhattan to talk with a reporter about the show.

"It moves so quick," says Hagman with a chuckle, referring to the brisk pace and twisted narrative. "The old shows just drag along: long, long pauses; come in for a close-up where the actor's doing nothing. On this show, they don't waste any time!"

"The attention to detail, that's what impresses me," says Gray, still beautiful at 71. She speaks of a meeting early on with one of the producers, "and he said, 'What do you think Sue Ellen should wear?' Most executive producers don't ask that. They leave it to the wardrobe people."

"Ohhhh, my God!" gasps Hagman, who has just sampled the revved-up salsa. "I need an Arnold Palmer to put that fire out!"

Henderson is known for playing the bad-boy nephew of Nicolette Sheridan on Desperate Housewives and his starring role on the 2005-06 FX drama series Over There as a soldier wounded in the Iraq war.

Born in Dallas 30 years ago and raised in Tulsa, Okla., he was familiar with Dallas from his childhood.

"I don't really remember watching it, because I was so young, but I knew it was a big deal. My meemaw watched it every week, and my aunt, who had kids in sports playing on Friday nights, saved up money to buy a VCR, which cost \$1,000 in those days, to record Dallas while they went to the kids' games."

"That's how important Dallas was to them."

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Crime pays handsomely for Boardwalk Empire creator Terence Winter

In the know. A lifelong interest in, and a close-up view of, crime allows former *Sopranos* writer to be incredibly accurate

Terence Winter has always had criminal leanings but fortunately the creator of the critically-acclaimed Boardwalk Empire channelled his lifelong obsession into something good.

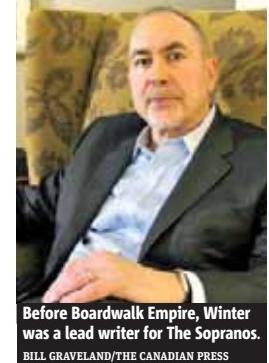
Boardwalk Empire is a period drama starring Steve Buscemi, focusing on Enoch "Nucky" Thompson, a political figure who rose to prominence and controlled Atlantic City, New Jersey, during the Prohibition period of the 1920s and 1930s.

It has been renewed for a third season.

The inspiration that has driven him to spend much of his career writing about criminals — he was also a major writer on *The Sopranos* — came



Steve Buscemi, middle, stars as gangster politician Enoch 'Nucky' Thompson in *Boardwalk Empire*, Terence Winter's critically acclaimed TV series. HANDOUT



Before Boardwalk Empire, Winter was a lead writer for The Sopranos.

from an unexpected place.

"I'm always interested in criminals and crime. People ask me how this started and aside from growing up in Brooklyn in an area that kind

of has a long history in mob type behaviour I could point it to the movie version of Oliver Twist," Winter said with a chuckle during a break at the Banff World Media Festival.

He is also listed as a writer and executive producer of the show.

"I remember I was a kid growing fascinated with pick-pocketing — that was the

subplot — Fagin and his pick-pockets in that underground gang. A year later the Sting

gang. A year later the book came out and it was all about con men and I became interested in that."

Winter, 51, also worked in a butcher shop that turned out to be owned by Paul Castellano, who was then the head of the powerful Gambino crime family.

"I got to rub elbows with guys not unlike the people who were in the Sopranos and just saw how they thought and how they talked and how they operated. It was just a world I was familiar with and was comfortable writing about." **THE CANADIAN PRESS**



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Don't call him 'R-Patz'

Robert Pattinson may be a good sport about a lot of things, but he is not a fan of his R-Patz nickname, to put it mildly.

"When I got (the role in *Cosmopolis*), every single article that came out was, 'R-Patz's struggle for credibility,'" Pattinson tells the *Guardian*.

"I don't understand who invented that thing, 'R-Patz'. I want to strangle them."



Robert Pattinson



Lindsay Lohan ALL PHOTOS GETTY IMAGES

Lilo is definitely not lying low these days

Lindsay Lohan's penchant for lying could land her in jail again.

After her accident last week — during which she totaled a rented Porsche — Lohan initially told police that she had been a passenger and her assistant had been driving, despite

her assistant telling them the opposite, according to TMZ. The police are said to be writing up a report that includes Lohan's fabrication, which is in itself a crime and could trigger a probation violation for the actress in her shoplifting case.

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OUR TAKE ON THE WORLD OF CELEBRITIES

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Adrian Grenier is in the doghouse



THE WORD

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Less than 24 hours before he was scheduled to host Monday night's Bideawee Gala in New York City, former Entourage star Adrian Grenier cancelled on the animal welfare charity. (While he declined to give an explanation to donors who paid up to \$1,000 per ticket, suffice it to say we sincerely doubt it was a work commitment.)

Fortunately, Howard Stern's wife, Beth, stepped in — and naturally, Stern had something to say about it during his Tuesday morning broadcast.

"A lot of celebrities agree to do something for a charity, and at the last minute they cancel, leaving the charity stranded," he said. "I do lose respect for people when they do this. They always have a great excuse. I don't know. Send out a tweet and say 'I'm so sorry.'"

Oh Adrian, we're dying to know: How does it feel to be out-classed by Howard Stern? In other celeb news:

Oprah and 50 Cent have publicly feuded about, well, everything in the past. (We



Adrian Grenier. ALL PHOTOS GETTY IMAGES

don't have the space here — just ask your grandmother what she doesn't like about 50 Cent.)

So when the two sat down for a chat Sunday night on Oprah's Next Chapter, there was plenty to catch up on. Oprah, for one, was curious as to why the rapper named his female dog after her.

"At the time, I was just looking at the situation, and I saw I was developing negative feelings for someone who doesn't even know me, and I gave it to the dog," explained 50, who admits to pampering his beloved miniature schnauzer,

You know, there's something very zen about this. Next week, we'll be introducing the Metro therapy goldfish, Kim and Kanye.



George Clooney and Stacy Keibler

Stacy finally gets to hang at George's Lake Como pad

George Clooney kicked off his summer vacation early by taking girlfriend Stacy Keibler to his luxurious estate on Lake Como, Italy, according to Hollyscoop.

Surprisingly, it's the first time his girlfriend of 10 months has been

to the infamous vacation home.

On the other hand, Clooney has taken Keibler on trips to Mexico five times since they've been together. The couple returned from a trip to Cabo San Lucas just last week.



Twitter



@CarrieFFisher

The only exercise I get is running around. I'm so lost, I think everything I think is profound. Our lows are so low that our upsides are down.



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I was 20 months old when JFK was killed — I remember watching the funeral on tv — is that even possible?



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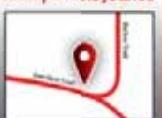
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Atlanta's historic Auburn Ave. again at crossroads

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TRAVEL

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While golf courses may not be quite as plentiful as poolside cabanas on the resort strewn coasts of Mexico, the gateway to Latin America boasts over 150 seductive spreads to pick from. Such a buffet of exceptional offerings makes it difficult for gringo golfers to settle on one. We've narrowed the field down to cinco options, where early morning tee times are as coveted as a 100 per cent blue agave tequila nightcap.

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El Camaleón, Playa Del Carmen

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These five river trips take travellers on an epic journey through some of the world's most incredible landscapes. Egypt's Nile River and The Mississippi are open for the first time in a number of years.

EMMA E. FORREST
Metro World News



For chilling out: Kerala, India

India's South-Western state of Kerala is known for its backwaters, a network of canals and rivers that carve through lush green coastal countryside. You can't help but unwind as you float past lily pads in a kettuvallam, a traditional Keralan houseboat with a thatched roof.

Trip of a lifetime: Take a four-night backwater trip in a private houseboat through Alleppey, nicknamed 'Venice of the East' for its criss-crossing canals, and stop off in the pretty village of Kumarakom. See enchanting-india.com for a schedule.

For absorbing the South: Mississippi River

When Priscilla Presley smashed a bottle of bubbly on the hull of the American Queen in April it became the first steamboat to sail overnight on the Mississippi River since hurricane Katrina devastated the American South in 2005. Now visitors can cruise the river again, stopping off at iconic historic sites as it cuts through Arkansas, Illinois, Iowa, Kentucky, Louisiana, Minnesota, Mississippi, Missouri, Tennessee,

and Wisconsin. Visit Elvis Presley's home Graceland, listen to live jazz in New Orleans, or just soak up the laid-back, Southern vibe.

Trip of a lifetime: The 222-room American Queen has nostalgic, Victorian-style interiors, old-fashioned Southern afternoon teas, receptions with the Captain and rat-pack bands, all designed to take passengers back in time to a more genteel era. Three to 10-night trips run through America's heartland from Memphis to New Orleans.

5 epic river holidays

For spotting the Big Five: The Zambezi, through African countries

The spectacular 2700km-long Zambezi River snakes through no less than six Central-African countries before flowing into the Indian Ocean in Mozambique. Several wild rapids, the huge Kariba Dam and the ferocious Victoria Falls are among the barriers to a river-long trip, so it's best to take on one small section. Go whitewater rafting, get close to hippos on a canoe safari or hook a Tiger fish.

Trip of a lifetime: The Zambezi Queen offers 45 metres of minimalist luxury, with 14 suites, each with their own private balcony. The boat cruises the Chobe River section of the Zambezi, which runs between Botswana's Chobe National Park and Namibia's Caprivi Strip, home to one of the densest populations of wildlife in Africa, and more than 120,000 elephants.



For ancient treasures: The Nile, Egypt

This summer, Egypt's iconic river will finally re-open for the full Nile Cruise for the first time in 15 years. For ticking ancient wonders off your travelers' to-do list, you can't beat the Nile. At one end are the iconic pyramids and sphinx in Cairo, and the other are the monumental statues

at Abu Simbel built in 1244 B.C. In between lie the spectacular burial sites in the Valley of the Kings and Queens as well as the temples of Esna, Edfu, Karnak and Kom Ombo.

Trip of a lifetime: From August, fans of the finer things in life will be able to make this epic journey on the Sanctuary Sun Boat III. Despite housing just 16 cabins, this palatial 1930s colonial-style retreat also has a glamorous indoor restaurant and bar, a rooftop deck complete with cocktail bar, cabanas for guests to lounge on and a pool to cool off in after a hard day scrutinizing hieroglyphs with one of the world-class Egyptologists that are on hand to guide those on board through the temples. See sanctuarystreats.com.

For jungle adventure: The Amazon, Peru, Brazil

The world's largest river weaves through dense rainforest and the home of indigenous settlers and exotic wildlife as it makes its way across the Latin American continent. Beneath two-metre-wide water lilies swim huge river turtles, pink river dolphins, anacondas, piranhas and the endangered manatee. Pack a hammock and sleep like a local on the upper deck of a passenger ferry traveling from the Amazon's

capital, Manaus, or book a private tour in Ecuador, Peru, Columbia or Brazil for a more leisurely cruise.

Trip of a lifetime: Newly-launched boat M/V Aria offers a very sophisticated way of nosing around the most beautiful and remote parts of the Peruvian Amazon. This five-star boutique hotel on the water was designed by one of Peru's coolest architects, Jordi Puig. The 16 air-conditioned suites each have floor-to-ceiling panoramic windows. There's an on-deck jacuzzi, bar and a glamorous restaurant: go to aquaexpeditions.com.

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Puerto Rico is exotic, but also has a familiar North American flavour. With resorts just a 10-minute drive from the airport, you could be stowing your carry-on in the morning and holding a cerveza or margarita in the sand by the early afternoon. The beautiful island, with colonial charm in the preserved cobblestones of Old San Juan, promises a convenient and zero-stress vacation.

The small island is also easily explored by car, meaning you can traverse the island in a day. Minutes away from landing at Luis Munoz Marin International Airport, 16th-century citadels and beautiful, palm-tree bordered beaches welcome you.

Whether you stay close to San Juan or want to explore the rest of the island, here are a few spots to visit.



Old San Juan in Puerto Rico. THINKSTOCK.COM

For exploring the island: Guanica

To get away from the hustle and bustle of San Juan — a city of nearly 400,000 — consider Guanica, a quaint town of 20,000 on the other side of the island. The two-hour drive itself is even relaxing, with mountains rising on both sides as you weave through the hills and rainforest. Once you're in Guanica, don't worry about rain ruining your beach days — it's in the Guanica Dry Forest Reserve. Instead, at Copamarina Beach Resort and Spa's 20 acres of beautiful landscaped grounds, relax and listen to the waves, stop in for an aromatherapy massage or paddle board or kayak to nearby Gilligan's Island (named after the show).

Head here first: where to stay

The Courtyard by Marriott Isla Verde Beach Resort has everything one needs on vacation — salsa dancing at the Picante Lobby Lounge and the Casino Del Sol for parents, and ice cream and hammocks for the kids. Just a 10-minute drive from the airport, it's an incredibly easy commute to relax. Chill poolside or have dinner outside on the hotel's patio, thanks to In-house chef Ricky Rivera.

Sample the night life: La Concha

If you want your vacation to stretch past afternoons on the beach, one step into La Concha Resort will reveal the hotel as a place to be seen. This hip hotel in the heart of San Juan's Condado neighbourhood, decorated with retro furniture from lobby to room, hosts bar stools filled with well-dressed Puerto Ricans and tourists at night. The hotel's variety of restaurants include Perla, uniquely designed to seem anchored in water, and Solera, an open-air restaurant serving tapas steps away from beach chairs. During the day, lounge in front of the crashing waves. If it's raining, curl up in your room — this hotel defines "ocean-view room."

For a colonial: Old San Juan

Along the cobblestone streets of Old San Juan, get a delicious coffee and breakfast to start at Caficulura, a cafe nestled near a

town plaza. Sit outside with your cafe con leche and take in the balcony-dotted streets. Then, meander your way through the city to one or more of the historical spots — an absolute must.



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Move over cedar plank, pineapple bark is coming for your grilling spot

Using pineapple bark in the same way you would use a cedar plank to grill, infuses the meat with a delicate sweetness, and keeps it moist and juicy. The enzymes in the pineapple also help to tenderize the meat.

1. Carefully cut off the top and bottom of the pineapple. These can be discarded. Stand the pineapple upright. Cut the skin off the pineapple, removing it in 6 long strips. To do this, begin cutting at the top of

Ingredients

- 1 large whole pineapple
- 3 boneless, skinless chicken breasts
- Salt and ground black pepper
- Ground cumin
- Cayenne pepper
- 1/2 small red onion, diced
- 1 jalapeno, seeds removed, diced
- 2 avocados, pitted and chopped
- Juice of 1 lime
- 1 tbsp chopped fresh cilantro

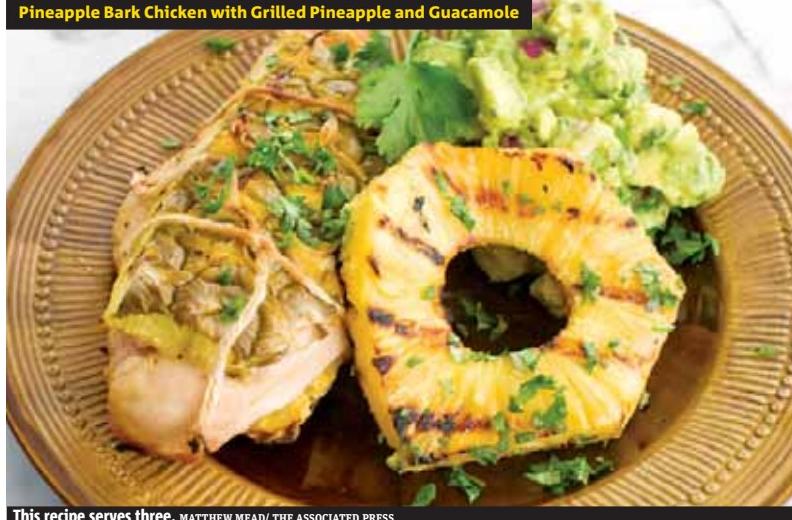
the fruit and slice downward, letting the knife follow the curve of the fruit. Leave about 1/2 inch of flesh on each strip of skin. Rotate the fruit and repeat. Set aside.

2. Place each chicken breast between sheets of plastic wrap and use a meat mallet to pound to an even 1/2 inch thickness. Season each on both sides with salt, pepper, cumin and cayenne. Lay each piece of chicken over the cut side of one of the slices of pineapple skin. Set a second strip of pineapple skin, cut side down, on top. Use kitchen twine to tie the bundles to hold them together. Refrigerate the chicken bundles for about 30 minutes.

3. When ready to cook, heat one side of the grill to high, the other side to low.

4. Meanwhile, cut the skinned pineapple (the flesh) into thick circles. Use a small round cookie or biscuit cutter (or a paring knife) to cut out and discard the core from each round.

Pineapple Bark Chicken with Grilled Pineapple and Guacamole



This recipe serves three. MATTHEW MEAD/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

5. When grill is hot, arrange chicken bundles on the cooler side of the grill. Cook for 15 minutes per side, or until the chicken reaches 165 F at the centre. During the final 10 minutes, add the pineapple rings

and cook for 5 minutes per side.

6. Guacamole: In bowl combine red onion, jalapeno, avocados, lime juice and cilantro. Gently mix then season with salt and pepper.

7. To serve, place one chicken bundle on each plate. Set a grilled pineapple ring next to it, then spoon some of the guacamole into the centre of and over the pineapple ring.

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Drink of the Week

Lost in Laos

1. In a cocktail shaker, muddle together kaffir lime leaves, lime juice and agave, approximately 2 minutes. Add liquors, almond milk and ice. Shake vigorously and strain into a collins glass with ice. Garnish with kaffir lime leaves on the side.

- 3-4 kaffir lime leaves
- 3/4 oz (21 g) of fresh lime juice
- 3/4 oz (21 g) agave syrup
- 1/2 oz (14 g) of green chartreuse
- 2 oz (55 g) gin
- 2 oz (55 g) unsweetened almond milk



Crunchy grilled bird inspired by classic flavours of France

Inspired by a Julia Child's recipe, Chef Elizabeth Karmel shares her version of what she called "French Chicken" while growing up.

It is a butterflied chicken that's slathered with a mustard, white wine and scallion sauce that bakes during roasting, becoming a delectable crust and infusing the chicken with heady flavours of Dijon.

1. Heat grill and prepare for indirect cooking over medium heat.

2. Use paper towels to pat dry chickens. Using poultry shears, one at a time cut down the length of each chicken's backbone on both sides to remove it. Overturn chickens to be breast side up, break breastbone by striking it sharply with a blunt object, such as can of beans.

3. Spread chickens open and lay them flat. Tuck wing tips under the upper wings, then brush all over with olive oil.

4. Season with salt and grains of paradise or black pepper. Place chickens in the centre of the grill skin side up. Cover the grill and cook for 20 minutes.

5. Meanwhile, assemble the



This recipe serves eight. MATTHEW MEAD/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

mustard sauce. In bowl, whisk white wine and mustard. Slowly drizzle 1/4 cup of olive oil and butter in mix to blend. Add thyme, cayenne and scallions, then mix to combine. Reserve 8 teaspoons of the mustard mixture for the tomatoes.

6. After chickens have cooked 20 minutes, turn over and spread mustard sauce on backs of chickens. Grill, covered, 10

minutes. Turn over to breast side up and spread mustard on the skin, then grill, covered, for another 10 minutes. Sprinkle the breast-sides of the chickens with bread crumbs and grill, covered, for another 10 to 15 more minutes, or until juices run clear and the thickest part of the thigh registers 180 F.

7. Remove chickens from the heat and let rest for 10 minutes

Ingredients

- 2 small whole chickens (about 3 to 4 lbs. each)
- Olive oil, for brushing, plus 1/4 cup
- Kosher salt
- Grains of paradise (optional) or ground black pepper
- 2 tbsp white wine
- 1/3 cup strong Dijon mustard
- 3 tbsp unsalted butter, melted
- 1 tsp dried thyme
- Pinch of cayenne pepper
- 3 scallions, chopped
- 1 cup panko or fresh white breadcrumbs, plus extra for the tomatoes
- 2 to 4 medium tomatoes, halved

before carving. While chicken rests, spread each tomato half with some of the reserved mustard sauce, then sprinkle them with bread crumbs. Grill for 10 minutes, or until the tops are crunchy and the tomatoes are warmed through. Serve hot.

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Ingredients

20 to 24 pops

- 1/2 cup (125 ml) natural peanut butter, preferably crunchy
- 1/4 cup each (50 ml) soy sauce and lime juice
- 2 tbsp (30 ml) Thai curry paste, red or green
- 4 skinless, boneless chicken breast halves
- 20 to 24 small 6-inch (15-cm) wooden skewers
- Salt to taste
- 1 tbsp (15 ml) chopped peanuts
- 1 tbsp (15 ml) chopped coriander

School silliness or bad behaviour?

Prank policies. From Post-It notes to animal activity, end-of-school shenanigans don't always sit well with staff

Well, it's that time of year again. Time to stash a dead fish somewhere to stink up the school hallways. Time to drop tennis balls on the heads of people in the lobby. Time to cover your soon-to-be alma mater with Post-It notes.

For high school seniors, it's prank time — or "structured mayhem" in the words of Mindy Utay, a therapist who works with teens.

It's a rite of passage as graduation looms, mostly harmless fun but sometimes escalating into vandalism.

This spring alone, windows at school have been smashed, walls and sidewalks spray painted, and paint poured down steps. Cars have been flipped. Property has been damaged from California to Kentucky to Maryland.

As a result, school administrators are rethinking exactly what constitutes a prank and where to draw the line — and finding that's not always easy to do.

This year, the rule at Kenowa Hills High School in Walker, Mich., was clear: No senior

Haha sans hurt

"Pranks are by and large fairly harmless, if nothing gets bruised except dignity"

Sherry Hamby
Psychology professor



Students load bikes into a truck during an organized bike ride to Kenowa Hills High School in Walker, Mich. The 65 graduating students who participated thought they were having harmless fun but in the principal's mind they had broken the "no pranks" rule. THE GRAND RAPIDS PRESS, CHRIS CLARK/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

pranks allowed.

But organizing themselves on Facebook, a group of graduating seniors there decided to ride bicycles, en masse, on the last day of school. They arranged for a police escort along the three-mile route. The mayor even brought them doughnuts before they headed out to what was supposed to be a funny surprise for everyone else at school.

The principal was not amused.

She thought the students had put themselves in danger by riding along a busy

thoroughfare. Traffic was disrupted. Drivers caught up in it, including some teachers, were late for work. In the principal's mind, the seniors had broken the "no pranks" rule, and she came down hard.

"But we didn't really see it as a prank. We saw it more as a senior send-off," says Sarah Pechumer, one of the 65 graduating students who participated. "It was harmless. It was arranged. It was legal."

And in the rowdy history of senior pranks, it was relatively benign.

"As long as it doesn't get out

of control, I think it is healthy," says Utay, a therapist and clinical social worker in private practice in Manhattan.

"It's something they look forward to after all the pressure — a chance to take back some of the control. It's rebellion against that pressure, empowerment. It marks the end of the high school experience."

Utay says, at her own children's school, pranks are considered a tradition — even a show of school spirit.

Generally, it's been silly things, she says — dropping the tennis balls or hiding the

dead fish. Or, say, putting four pygmy goats on an overhang above a school entrance, as authorities at Simsbury High School in Connecticut discovered last Wednesday.

"Like a lot of the practical joking and horseplay that goes on between adolescents and young adults, pranks are by and large fairly harmless, if nothing gets bruised except dignity," says Sherry Hamby, a psychology professor at Sewanee, The University of the South, in Tennessee.

Pranks often continue into college life, as they have for

What do you think?

Did this prank merit punishment?

Even when there is no damage, some administrators feel the need to take a hard line.

- In May, in Clayton, Ind., a half-dozen students were suspended when they decorated their high school with more than 10,000 Post-It notes; a janitor who let them in was fired, and about 50 students who protested by cutting class were suspended as well.

Brigham Young University junior Nate Stebbing and some of his buddies.

This spring, Stebbing and his crew turned neighbours' apartment living room into a giant Easter basket, complete with real sod and live bunnies and chicks.

The video they made has gotten hundreds of thousands of hits on YouTube.

The key to a successful prank, Stebbing says, is to never be mean-spirited or destructive. (The sod is now adorning someone's lawn and the animals found a good home.)

"We made sure that the people we were pranking were not people who'd take it the wrong way," he says. "Now we're super-tight friends with them — and it's an awesome memory."

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I've got the first-job jitters

Newly hired nerves.

A few tips to conquer that queasy feeling as you start out on your career path

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First, congratulations on getting that job! It's a big deal to start your first "real" job. Unfortunately, it sounds like excitement is being overshadowed by nerves.

What is it that you are nervous about? The more clear you are on just what it is that is causing your nerves, the better you'll be able to address it.

Some common concerns when starting a new job include feeling overwhelmed by the idea of walking into a brand new environment and not knowing what to expect, feeling shy about meeting all kinds of people (perhaps including suit-wearing and/or other 'im-

Ask questions

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- If you get worried, or nervous, or confused, do ask questions. You are new and you are not expected to know everything.
- Worrying about that first day may be a bit nerve-wracking, but if you try to relax and take the pressure off yourself, you can focus on learning and enjoying.



Remember that this job is yours! So breathe in, exhale, and enjoy the opportunity. iSTOCK

portant' people), and sometimes worrying that maybe you won't be good enough at the job.

Regardless of what it is specifically causing your worries, here are a few things you can do to make starting your first day easier.

Rest and food

Seems a bit overly simple, but sometimes the simple things are very important. Getting a good sleep the night before your first day and feeding yourself more than caffeine that morning can help your physical self keep your emotional self feeling stronger and more relaxed.

Remember they hired you

for a reason

Hiring decisions are rarely taken lightly. If you've been offered this job, the organization/company must feel convinced that you are up for it (even if you yourself may be worried). If you are nervous about whether you can do this, remind yourself that you probably would not have been hired if you didn't display the skills and qualities that are needed.

Assess your expectations for yourself

Yes, the first day is important, but too much emphasis can be placed on first impressions. Your first day is usually a day of easing you into your new role. Usually, there will be introductions,

orientations, tours and some explanation of your job. You don't have to go sprinting out of the starting gate and impress everyone in your first eight hours there. You can spend the day with a smile on your face and listening, learning, and trying to remember everyone's name (a note pad might help!).

Best wishes as you start your new job!

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Student Voice

Since when did school not count as experience?

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Yes, experience is important, but how can a recent graduate acquire experience if not given the opportunity? This is an issue which continues to be a major cause of frustration and, at times, desperation.

I am a recent graduate with a B.A in both English Literature and Spanish. For five years I read novels, scripts, plays and articles in both English and Spanish, analyzing and scrutinizing them. Many long essays and presentations later, interviews fall flat because of "lack of experience."

The sheer fact that I have a university degree is experience, since university students, particularly literature majors, do a great deal of critical thinking, problem solving, and written and verbal communication. Why then is finding a simple entry-level position so difficult?

Where I am now

Presently, I continue to eagerly look for an entry-level position that makes use of my knowledge and skills. I will also be applying to nearby colleges to focus on editing and publishing, as I enjoy the field of communications.

My recommendations for employers, schools and career-centres

Employers need to reconsider their expectations as they



could potentially lose an excellent candidate. Sure, some work related experience is beneficial, but the fact that a recent graduate does not have specific experience does not mean that they would be unable to perform efficiently.

My recommendation for students

I am fully aware that my experience is not unique. The frustration and disappointment of not being given the opportunity is all too common.

However, recent grads should not shrink back. Instead, we need to be even more persistent and "sell" our capabilities to employers. Let them know the types of courses you studied in university, in addition to the required courses you took for your major.

It is a fierce job market but consideration of potential talent on the part of the employer is important and persistence on the side of the recent graduate is key.

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Donald Trump made the phrase famous but it's a sentence you never want to hear in real life: "You're fired." Unfortunately, sometimes, just like on The Apprentice, it can happen to the people you least expect.

I spent the summer after my first year of university working at a shoe store in my hometown. When I got the job, I had booked off time in July so I could visit my relatives south of the border. After my family bonanza, I came home to messages asking me to come in to the store for a shift the previous week.

I called the store to clarify that I hadn't come in because I had been out of the country, as indicated on the staff schedule. Despite my reasoning, the new store manager, who had taken over while I was away, pulled an Arnold Schwarzenegger



If you've suddenly been singled out and fired, it may be worth it to research whether your termination was not, in fact, justified. ISTOCK

and "terminated" me.

In my state of shock, I hung up and accepted that I had just lost my job, but according to employment experts, that was not the way to go.

The biggest mistake that students make when they've

been fired is, "not knowing their rights and not knowing if they were justifiably (and justly) fired" says Aino Lokk, an employment counsellor at Ryerson University.

When you get a job

Don't wait until you get that phone call to start learning your rights. When you get hired, make sure you know what can get you fired. Lokk says right from the get-go, students need to be familiar with their legal, work-related rights. Don't just scan those contracts and forms, take the time to read them over, ask questions and make sure you understand the company policy and procedures such as code of conduct or confidentiality of information.

Warning signs

Getting fired is never going to be pleasant, but Lokk says if the employer has followed due diligence throughout the firing process, then it shouldn't come as a big surprise.

"If the employee is in clear violation of organizational policy or procedures, or has been given the appropriate warnings regarding behav-

But I thought....

"Despite my reasoning, the new store manager, who had taken over while I was away, pulled an Arnold Schwarzenegger and "terminated" me."

Ishani Nath, on being let go from a job

hours/activities that need to change and they have not changed, then the next likely step is that they could be fired."

Should the job still go on your résumé?

In short, yes. If you gained skills and experience that are relevant to your future job hunt, then it still deserves a spot on your resume. If interviewers ask why you left the position, be honest.

If the firing was unjust, you should "briefly describe the situation without ascribing any blame, allowing the employer to draw the appropriate conclusion," says Lokk. If you genuinely deserved to be fired, then focus on the lesson learned from the experience.

For instance, if your contract outlined that you are not allowed to speak to reporters about the company but you shared information damaging the company, he says the student could reflect on the fact that they now know to always defer media requests to the authorized person within the firm.

Ultimately, when the question comes up, try not to dwell on it, explain what happened and move on.

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- Evaluate your employer:** Determine what they need and what you in particular can provide. Don't assume that someone will figure out your contribution for you.
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ing the end of the original contract of completion of a project, know that you may have to be the one to ask for feedback from your employer.

- Find a mentor:** Having someone to evaluate your performance and foster your interests – even if that person is not your direct

superior – will help develop the kind of 'continuous learning' that will make you a valuable employee.

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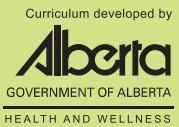
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Bring-your-own-device to work movement growing in gadgets

Employees not only want to use their preferred smartphone on the job, they are starting to use their computer of choice, a trend called bring-your-own-device to work, which often favours Apple devices.

Company-issued PCs and mobile phones are being challenged by some employees who argue they work more efficiently on their own devices, say experts.

"It has moved from smartphones to laptops," said Stephen Midgley of Absolute Software, a Vancouver company that has software to securely manage smartphones, laptops and tablets with different operating systems used in workplaces.

"Smartphones have driven it because consumers wanted to use their iPhones," Midgley said.

BlackBerry maker Research In Motion (TSX:RIM) has been hit by the trend in the workplace, where it has traditionally dominated.

American drilling giant Halliburton has said it's phasing out remaining BlackBerrys among its 70,000 employees. The U.S. National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration has begun issuing iPhones. Some Canadian law firms and investment companies are allowing iPhones to be used.

"It's a global trend being led by the United States and quickly followed by Canada and also Europe," said Midgley, whose employer has 35,000 customers.

The reality is that employees can dictate terms to their company's information technology departments and in turn cause security worries,

IT inclusion

IT departments will have to adjust to the BYOD trend, technology analyst Duncan Stewart said.

- "The IT environment of the future will have to, or almost certainly, have to support multiple devices from multiple manufacturers running multiple operating systems. What the percentage is and who pays for it and how you administer it, those are all details."

said Midgley, vice-president of global marketing at Absolute Software (TSX:ABT).

"While we may have a more efficient workforce, who gets distracted with apps, we open ourselves up to more risk when it comes to things like data breaches." THE CANADIAN PRESS

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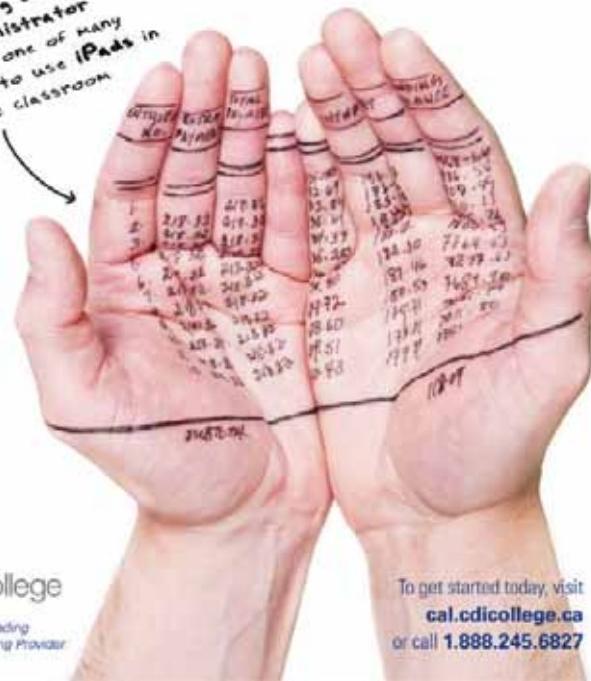
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Fear of cheer: Are you too loud and too proud of your graduate?

Mom, dad, keep it down. Parents, schools butt heads over 'excessive cheering' at commencements

Year after year it's a sure bet that the comforting graduation mainstay Pomp and Circumstance is drowned out on occasion by airhorns, cowbells or the sheer lung power of proud friends and family.

What appears to have changed is stiffer retribution for those in the crowd who don't want to save the party for later.

In one case, a cheering mom was led off in handcuffs. In another, four grads were denied their diplomas because friends hooted too loudly.

Jon Guriel understands how disruptive the hooting and hollering can be. When he collected his master's degree from Slippery Rock University in Pennsylvania, the loved ones of the graduate before him celebrated a little too loudly for a little too long, including a shout-out from her son: "That's my mom!" They were still cheering during Guriel's walk.

"I had a professor and several classmates who questioned me afterward as if I skipped the ceremony simply because they never heard my name called," said the 29-year-old software salesman in Raleigh, N.C., who graduated in 2005. "I felt very cheated."

But how far is too far in cracking down on guests at graduation ceremonies? And can a high school or college really punish a grad for misbehaving loved ones?

The law differs from state to state and policies from school to school, said Ken Griffith, president of the National Association of Secondary School Principals.

But in 40 years as an edu-

Rowdy relative?

"I got up and I said, 'Yay, my baby made it, yes!' It was just a regular cheer..."

Shannon Cooper, who was led out of her daughter's graduation in handcuffs due to a disorderly conduct charge.

cator and administrator in Wyoming, where even his tiny school in Guernsey has seen some airhorn action at graduation, Griffith thinks commencements have turned away from something more akin to weddings.

"It used to be very sedate. Now it's more of a sporting event," he said. "The hooting and hollering impinges on the rights of other folks, but generally the kid should not be punished for what the family or the crowd has done."

Many high schools and colleges dole out empty diploma holders as a deterrent, forcing seniors to collect the real thing after commencement is over. At other schools, officials have taken more unusual steps.

Archbishop Thomas Rodi refused last year to take photos from the commencement line with two grads at McGill-Toolen High School in Mobile, Ala., because of disruptions when their names were called.

Things were even rockier earlier this month at Iesha Cooper's graduation at South Florence High School in South Carolina. Her mom, Shannon Cooper, whooped it up and was led out in handcuffs on a disorderly conduct charge that cost her \$225 bond and several hours in custody.

"I got up and I said, 'Yay, my baby made it, yes!' It was just a regular cheer," the mom grumbled to TV station WPDE after her release.

Iesha was in tears when she saw her mom cuffed in a police van outside the Florence Civic Center, where the crowd had been warned not to cheer or they'd be tossed out.

Four seniors at a suburban Cincinnati high school were denied their sheepskins because of "excessive cheering" by their guests. The principal told them to perform 20 hours of community service in exchange for their diplomas due to the behaviour of their friends and family, though they were not denied access to their transcripts and are technically graduates.

Nothing about that makes sense to Traci Cornist, mom of one of the Mt. Healthy Four, 19-year-old Anthony Cornist. "It took away so much from how happy I was," she told Cincinnati radio station WDBZ.

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Not fair

Keisha Pickett, a reading teacher in Tampa, Fla., thinks the two recent cases take punishment too far.

"For some, like at my school, they're the first to graduate in the entire family," she said. "I'm all for respecting other families, but parents should be able to cheer their kids on. They didn't know if they'd make it through the streets, the battle every day."

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Many are mastering mindfulness as a stress-busting skill

In what's become a daily ritual, Tim Ryan finds a quiet spot, closes his eyes, clears his mind and tries to tap into the eternal calm. In Ryan's world, it's a stretch for people to get this relaxed.

He's a member of Congress.

Increasingly, people in settings beyond the serene yoga studio or contemplative nature path are engaging in the practice of mindfulness, a mental technique that dwells on breathing, attention to areas of the body and periods of silence to concentrate on the present rather than the worries of yesterday and tomorrow.

Marines are doing it. Of-

Let's be realistic

"You still forget your keys... you still stub your toe, but you can train your mind to be more in the present moment."

Author Tim Ryan

fice workers are doing it. Prisoners are doing it.

The technique is drawing

tens of thousands to conferences and learning experiences across the nation and world, and studies have shown it to reduce the symptoms of certain diseases and conditions.

Ryan has written a book, *A Mindful Nation*, pushing mindfulness as an elixir that can tone down political divisions in Washington, get American schoolchildren learning better, and return

the country to an era of richer personal experience.

"You still forget your keys, you still call people by the wrong name, you still stub your toe, but you can train your mind to be more in the present moment," Ryan said.

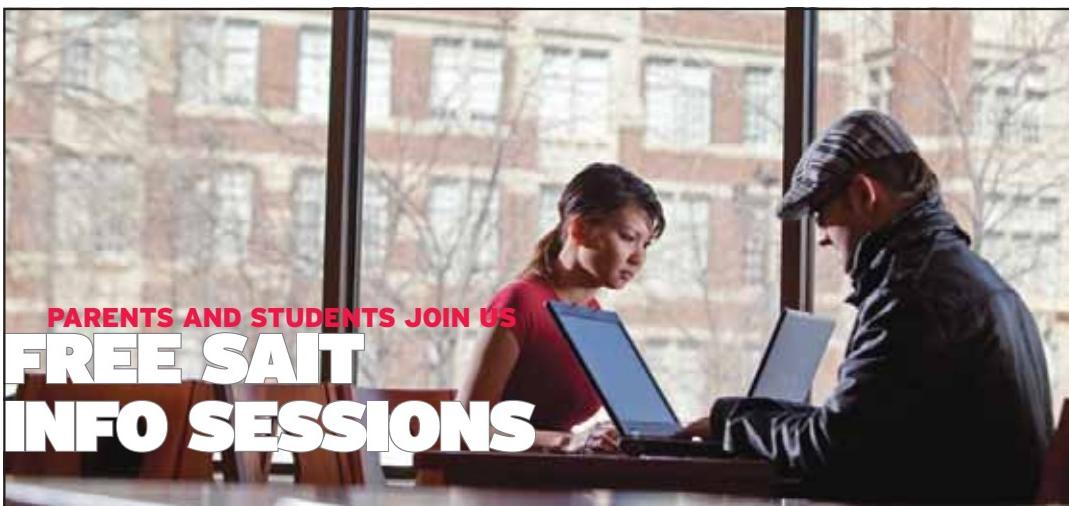
Benefits in stress reduction and improved performance have prompted U.S. corporations including Google, Target, Procter & Gamble, General Mills, Comcast, BASF, Bose and New Balance to offer mindfulness training and encourage its use at

work.

The practice's critics, including some psychologists and religious scholars, say the approach is little more than Buddhist meditation repackaged and rebranded for a secular, and often paying, audience.

"The commercialization of Buddhism has been happening as long as Buddhism has existed," said Rachelle Scott, an associate professor of religion at the University of Tennessee and author of *Nirvana for Sale*.

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You think you know, but you have no idea



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Most employees cling to beliefs about workplace rights they gleaned from media, friends or researching online.

But many of these "perceived" rights often do not exist.

Here are some of my favorite misconceptions:

Discrimination means unequal treatment

It is not discrimination if you are simply treated unfairly or differently. Discrimination laws only protect differential treatment based on a defined set of personal characteristics, such as age, race, gender or disability. Employees can be treated differently based on any other grounds, without any form of legal protection.

Similarly, there is no legal requirement that promotions or bonuses be assessed fairly.

An employer may decide, often arbitrarily, who it wishes to promote and how it will compensate its

employees. It is entitled to show favouritism, as long as its decision is not based on personal characteristics, such as race, religion or gender.

An employee is entitled to overtime pay for any additional hours worked.

Unless an employment contract states otherwise, overtime pay is only required for hours worked in excess of the statutory standards, which vary among provinces.

Many employees do not realize that they can be required to work for longer than nine to five, without an entitlement to overtime pay.

There is a right to sick leave

There is no statutory or legal requirement to provide employees with paid time off from work due to an illness.

Although many employers have policies that do provide a few days' sick leave each year, it is not because they are compelled to do so.

Without such a policy, if an employee is off work and sick, she need not be paid for that time.

If I work through lunch, I can leave work early

This is one of my favorite misconceptions.

Employees often believe they can make up lost time or "trade" a break or lunch for an early departure.

However, most provincial employment standards laws require that a 30-minute lunch be taken, at least every five hours.

Therefore, even if an employer were to agree to such a "trade" (and few would do so), it would still be illegal.

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"[An employer] is entitled to show favouritism, as long as its decision is not based on personal characteristics, such as race, religion or gender."

NBA finals

Durant, Thunder roll to 1-0 series lead over Heat

Kevin Durant scored 17 of his 36 points in the fourth quarter, Russell Westbrook added 27 points and 11 assists, and the Oklahoma City Thunder rallied from a 13-point deficit to beat the Miami Heat 105-94 on Tuesday night in Game 1 of the NBA finals.

LeBron James, still chasing his first NBA title in his third MVP season, shined through three quarters and blew past Durant head-to-head several times before the Thunder switched their defence.

James ended up with 30 points — the most he's ever had in three trips to the finals — but it wasn't enough with Durant taking over late.

Durant made six of 10 shots in the fourth quarter to power the Thunder ahead after they had trailed until their final possession of the third quarter.

Game 2 is Thursday night in Oklahoma City.

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Thunder forward Kevin Durant dunks on Tuesday night in Oklahoma City. GETTY IMAGES



The Kings celebrate after their 6-1 win over the Devils in Game 6 of the Stanley Cup final in Los Angeles on Monday night. NOEL VASQUEZ/GETTY IMAGES

Plans for a sequel underway in L.A.

NHL. Kings savour 1st Stanley Cup triumph and look ahead to next year

The Stanley Cup barely had the Los Angeles Kings' fingerprints on it before Darryl Sutter suggested they should start preparing to win it again.

"The first thing you think about as a coach, these guys are all young enough, they've got to try it again," the coach said Monday night, mere moments after raising the cup for the first time himself.

That's just how a pragmatic farmer from Alberta thinks about everything, and Sutter didn't allow his mental preparations for a sequel stop him from celebrating this irreplace-

By the numbers

81

The Kings never faced elimination in the playoffs, but it was a distinct possibility during the regular season. L.A. didn't clinch a playoff spot until right before their 81st game.

able moment with his players.

The Kings partied until well after midnight at a restaurant overlooking the Staples Center ice, where Los Angeles completed its 16-4 rampage through the post-season to the franchise's first NHL title.

After nearly 45 years without a cup, after 4 1/2 decades with one division title and one conference crown to show for their existence, and after eight straight years from 2002-10 without making the playoffs,

Los Angeles and its Kings had earned every minute of it.

Music boomed and drinks flowed for a few hundred friends, family members and Kings employees hanging with the players. Everybody seemingly got a chance to raise the cup. The Conn Smythe Trophy also attended, and plenty of people borrowed Jonathan Quick's hardware long enough to chant "MVP!" for themselves.

The Kings weren't thinking much about how they became the first eighth seed to win a title, or how they won 10 straight road games this spring, or how they made the second-fastest run in modern NHL history to the Stanley Cup.

They already knew.

"It's got to come from the

Sutter trilogy complete

The name "Sutter" will be etched into the Stanley Cup once again.

• After more than two decades in pro hockey, Darryl Sutter finally has a chance to bring the trophy back to Viking, Alta., just as brothers Duane and Brent did before him.

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room, and guys have to make a decision to work," said Quick, the record-setting goalie who carried the Kings through long stretches of the regular season. "I think we did that. You can't say enough about this group and how hard they worked."

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SPORTS

Golf

"I think even if I do win a major championship, it will still be, 'You're not to 18 yet' or 'When will you get to 19?' It's always something with you guys."

Tiger Woods in San Francisco on Tuesday, responding to questions of whether he has to win a major to end doubts about his health and overall golf game ahead of this week's U.S. Open.

CFL

Als' D-Line takes blow losing Bowman

The Montreal Alouettes will have to start the 2012 season without their top defensive lineman. The CFL club announced Tuesday that rush end John Bowman, who had a team-high 12 sacks last season, is out four to six weeks after suffering a knee injury during training camp Saturday. The six-foot-three, 255-pound Bowman was hurt taking part in a short-yardage situation and was taken off the field on a cart.

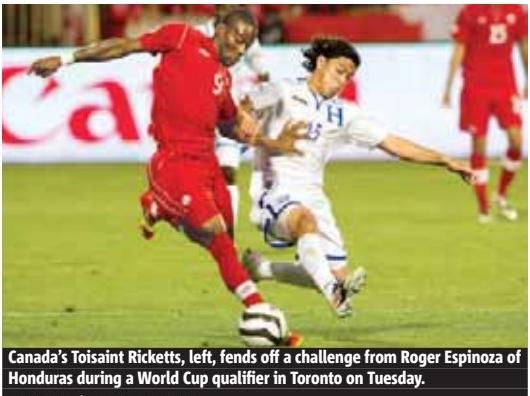
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Canada settles for draw with Honduras



Canada's Toisia Ricketts, left, fends off a challenge from Roger Espinoza of Honduras during a World Cup qualifier in Toronto on Tuesday.

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Canada had hoped to take two victories and some breathing room into a two-month break between World Cup qualifying games.

Instead, the Canadians played Honduras to a 0-0 draw Tuesday, settling for four points from their first two matches in the third round of CONCACAF qualifying as they continue their quest for the country's first World Cup berth since 1986.

The result was a frustrating one for Canada, which was coming off a 1-0 victory over Cuba on Friday in Havana and maintained most of the possession on the night in front

Qualifying continues

The top two teams in the group will advance to the final round of qualifying in the CONCACAF region, which covers North and Central America and the Caribbean.

- Canada will travel to Panama and Honduras in the fall. The Canadians host Panama on Sept. 7 and Cuba on Oct. 12.

of 16,132 fans at BMO Field in Toronto.

Canada had numerous scoring opportunities, perhaps the best coming on a corner kick in the 90th minute that captain Kevin McKenna headed just wide of the Honduran goal.

Canadian defender David Edgar had two glorious chances, including a header off a corner kick in second half injury time that he knocked just wide of the net before the final whistle and a corner kick in the 68th minute that he put just wide left of the net.

No. 55 Honduras was coming off a 2-0 loss to 46th-ranked Panama in its opener last week. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Poland fights back to keep hopes of advancing alive

Euro 2012. Polish defence largely muzzled Russian attack

Alan Dzagoev scored his third goal of the European Championship, and Jakub Blaszczykowski scored what will surely be one of the goals of the tournament.

Russia and Poland played out a 1-1 draw Tuesday. The result left Russia at the top of Group A, but all four teams still have a chance to qualify for the quarter-finals.

"We're still in the tournament, so with this point a win in our final match puts us into the knockout stage," Blaszczykowski said.

Dzagoev was first to score Tuesday. He darted past defender Lukasz Piszczek in the 37th minute and sent a glancing header beyond goalkeeper Przemyslaw Tyton after a curling free kick from Andrei Arshavin.

Russia continued to push forward after the goal, allowing Poland to equalize on the counter in the 57th when

Tuesday's game	
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Blaszczykowski cut in from the right and sent a searing left-foot drive into the far corner of the goal.

"I think we deserve praise because all of us put a lot into this match," Blaszczykowski said. "The tactics we set up before the match we carried out 100 per cent."

Russia's rampant attack in the opening 4-1 win over the Czechs was largely muzzled by a well-organized Polish defence.

"When we went 1-0 up, I thought we'd get more space like we did against the Czech Republic, but that didn't happen," Russia coach Dick Advocaat said. "We lost the ball too fast when we were going forward and they could counter."

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Jakub Blaszczykowski celebrates scoring the equalizing goal for Poland against Russia at Euro 2012 in Warsaw.
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Violence

Fans clash outside game

Soccer hooligans clashed with opposing fans and police before and during Poland's game against bitter rival Russia on Tuesday, leaving 15 injured while more than 140 people were detained.

Following scattered fighting in the Polish capital before the match, police fired rubber bullets at a group of fans who attacked them with bottles and stones near an outdoor fan zone in central Warsaw where about 75,000 people were watching the game on huge screens.

None of the injured, which included a police officer, were in life-threatening condition.

About 5,000 Russian fans marched to the match at the National Stadium to celebrate the Russia Day national holiday.

It was seen as provocative to many Poles. The two countries share a difficult history, including decades of control by Moscow over Poland during the Cold War. Many Poles felt authorities shouldn't have allowed the Russians to march as a group in Warsaw given the historical wounds.

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Czech Republic scores twice inside of six minutes



Kostas Katsouranis of Greece lies in the goal after Vaclav Pilar of the Czech Republic scored at Euro 2012 in Wroclaw, Poland. CHRISTOF KOEPEL/GETTY IMAGES

Before the match, the Czech fans booed their coach. Six minutes after the start, they could barely contain their joy.

After an embarrassing 4-1 opening loss to Russia at the European Championship, the Czechs attacked right from kickoff and scored two quick goals en route to a 2-1 victory over Greece on Tuesday.

"Everything worked for us tonight," Czech Republic coach

Rosicky injured

The Czech Republic's much-needed victory over Greece came at a cost: Captain Tomas Rosicky injured his Achilles tendon and is doubtful for its final Group A game.

Michal Bilek said, "I am happy with every player."

Petr Jiracek scored the first goal, beating Greece goalkeeper Costas Chalkias in the third minute after a pass from Tomas Hubschmann sliced through the Greek defence. Vaclav Pilar added the second three minutes later with his second goal of the tournament. He was first to a ball sent across the goal by Theodor Gebre Selassie.

"This was a big goal for me, and it's great for the team," Pi-

lar said.

Substitute Fanis Gekas pulled one back for Greece in 53rd minute with a tap in after Chelsea goalkeeper Petr Cech spilled the ball and bumped into defender Tomas Sivok.

But Greece rallied too late, and their chances of advancing were hurt following their 1-1 draw with Poland in the opening Group A match.

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Detroit	28	33	.459	6
Kansas City	25	34	.424	8
Minnesota	25	35	.417	8½

WEST DIVISION

	W	L	Pct	GB
Texas	36	26	.581	—
Los Angeles	33	29	.532	3
Oakland	27	35	.435	9
Seattle	27	35	.435	9

INTERLEAGUE

Tuesday's results

Washington 4 Toronto 2

Baltimore 8 Pittsburgh 6

Boston 2 Miami 1

Chicago Cubs 4 Detroit 3

Chicago White Sox 6 St. Louis 1

Cincinnati 7 Cleveland 1

Kansas City 2 Milwaukee 1

Minneapolis 11 Philadelphia 7

NY. Mets 6 Atlanta 4

NY. Yankees 11 Tampa Bay 2

Oakland 8 Colorado 5

Texas 9 Arizona 1

L.A. Angels at L.A. Dodgers

San Diego at Seattle

Monday's results

Washington 6 Toronto 3

L.A. Angels 3 L.A. Dodgers 2

Miami 4 Boston 1

NY. Yankees 3 Atlanta 0

Wednesday's Games — All Times Eastern

Washington (Strasburg 7-1) at Toronto (Drabek 4-6), 12:37 p.m.

Pittsburgh (Correia 2-5) at Baltimore (Matusz 5-6), 7:05 p.m.

Boston (Doubrodt 6-3) at Miami (Nolasco 6-4), 7:10 p.m.

Cleveland (LOwe 7-4) at Cincinnati (Leake 2-5), 7:10 p.m.

NY. Mets (Dickey 9-1) at Tampa Bay (Price 8-3), 7:10 p.m.

NY. Yankees (Kuroda 5-6) at Atlanta (Hudson 4-2), 7:10 p.m.

Arizona (Miley 7-2) at Texas (M.Harrison 8-3), 8:05 p.m.

Detroit (Porcello 3-4) at Chicago Cubs (Garza 2-4), 8:05 p.m.

Milwaukee (Wolf 2-5) at Kansas City (Hochevar 3-7), 8:10 p.m.

Philadelphia (Hamel 8-3) at Minnesota (Walters 2-1), 8:10 p.m.

Chicago White Sox (Peavy 6-1) at St. Louis (Lynn 9-2), 8:15 p.m.

Oakland (McCarthy 5-3) at Colorado (Outman 0-2), 8:40 p.m.

L.A. Angels (C.Wilson 7-4) at L.A. Dodgers (Eovaldi 0-2), 10:10 p.m.

San Diego (Marquis 0-1) at Seattle (Noesi 2-6), 10:10 p.m.

CFL

PRE-SEASON

Wednesday's games

Toronto at Hamilton, 7 p.m.

Saskatchewan at B.C., 10 p.m.

Thursday's game

Winnipeg at Montreal, 7:30 p.m.

Friday's game

Edmonton at Calgary, 9 p.m.

NATIONAL LEAGUE

NATIONAL LEAGUE

EAST DIVISION

	W	L	Pct	GB
Washington	37	23	.617	—
Atlanta	34	28	.548	4
New York	33	29	.532	5
Miami	32	30	.516	6
Philadelphia	29	34	.460	9½

CENTRAL DIVISION

	W	L	Pct	GB
Cincinnati	33	27	.550	—
Pittsburgh	32	28	.533	1
St. Louis	31	31	.500	3
Milwaukee	28	33	.455	5½
Houston	26	34	.433	7
Chicago	21	40	.328	12½

WEST DIVISION

	W	L	Pct	GB
Texas	36	26	.581	—
Los Angeles	33	29	.532	3
Oakland	27	35	.435	9
Seattle	27	35	.435	9

TUESDAY'S RESULTS

Houston at San Francisco

No Games Scheduled.

Wednesday's game

All Times Eastern

Houston (Happ 4-6) at San Francisco (M.Cain 7-2), 10:15 p.m.

NATIONALS 4, BLUE JAYS 2

	W	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Washington	ab	r	b	Toronto	ab	r
Lmrdrzzf	4	0	1	0	Laurie	3b
	1	0	1	0	1	0
Harper	4	1	3	1	Ramsf	c
Zmrnn	4	0	0	0	Bautist	r
	0	0	0	0	1	2
LaRoch	4	1	1	0	Enrcb	1b
Morse	4	0	1	0	Khnson	2b
Dsmdn	3	0	0	0	YEsor	ss
Espin	4	2	2	0	Cooper	dh
Aniel	4	0	0	0	Arencl	ph-dh
J'Solano	3	1	2	1	Rdavis	if
Mathis	5	3	0	0		
Vizquel	1	0	0	0		
Total	34	40	14	Totals	31	2
Washington	001	200	100	4		
Toronto	000	020	000	2		

DP—Toronto 2. LOB—Washington 4, Toronto 8.

2B—LaRoche (15), Espinosa (14), Bautista (8). HR—Harper (7), Espinosa (6), J.Solano (1), Bautista (18). SB—Desmond (8), Bautista (4). CS—Harper (3), Lawrie (6).

Washington IP H R ER BB SO

Wang W 2-2 5 4 2 2 5 5

Detwiler H.1 12-3 0 0 0 0 0 1

Stammen H.3 1-3 1 0 0 0 0 0

S.Burnett H.11 1 0 0 0 0 0 0

Clippard S.9-10 1 0 0 0 0 0 2

Toronto H. Alvarez L-3 7 9 4 4 0 3

Oliver 1 1 0 0 0 0 2

Frasor 2-3 0 0 0 0 1 1

E.Crawford 1-3 0 0 0 0 0 0

HBP—by Wang (Lawrie). WP—Wang. T—2:52. A—22,538 (49,260) at Toronto.

TRANSACTIONS

MLB

AMERICAN LEAGUE

TORONTO BLUE JAYS — Released OF Vladimir Guerrero from his minor league contract.

Optioned INF Yan Gomes and RHP Chad Beck to Las Vegas (PCL). Recalled LHP Aaron Laffey and LHP Evan Crawford from Las Vegas.

CFL

WINNIPEG BLUE BOMBERS — Released WR

Victor James, OL Jean-Sebastien Laberge and DL Rob Jubenville.

NHL PLAYOFFS

STANLEY CUP FINAL

(Best of 7)

NEW JERSEY (E6) VS. LOS ANGELES (W8)

(Los Angeles wins series 4-2)

Monday's result

Los Angeles 6 New Jersey 1

FINAL SCORING LEADERS

G. Brown, LA 8 12 20

Kopitar, LA 8 12 20

Kovalchuk, NJ 8 11 19

Giroux, Pha 8 9 17

Doughty, LA 4 12 16

Parise, NJ 8 7 15

M.Richards, NYR 6 9 15

M.Richards, LA 4 11 15

J.Williams, LA 4 11 15

Zajac, NJ 7 7 14

Salvador, NJ 4 10 14

Briere, Pha 8 5 13

Carter, LA 8 5 13

Henrique, NJ 4 5 13

Clarkson, NJ 3 9 12

Girardi, NYR 3 9 12

J.Carter, LA 6 5 11

Gaborik, NYR 5 6 11

Penner, LA 3 8 11

Calahan, NYR 6 4 10

McDonald, STL 5 5 10

Vermette, Phx 5 5 10

Anisimov, NYR 3 7 10

Zubrus, NJ 3 7 10

Del Zotto, NYR 2 8 10

Voracek, Pha 2 8 10

J.Staal, Pgh 6 3 9

Doan, Phx 5 4 9

Ovechkin, Wash 5 4 9

Lewis, LA 3 6 9

Ponikarovsky, NJ 1 8 9

B.Schenk, Pha 3 6 9

Stepan, NYR 1 8 9

Yandle, Phx 1 8 9

Zidlicky, NJ 1 8 9

Julius, NJ 1 8 9

Julian Rojer (1), Netherlands def. Benjamin Becker and Philipp Petzchner, Germany—6, 6-2, 10.

Tommy Haas, Germany, def. Bernard Tomic, Australia, 5-2 (retired).

Doubles — First Round

Aisam-Ul-Haq Qureshi, Pakistan, and Jean-Julien Rojer (1), Netherlands def. Benjamin Becker and Philipp Petzchner, Germany—6, 6-2, 10.

Milos Raonic, Thornhill, Ont. and Adil Shamasdin, Pickering, Ont., def. Dustin Brown, Germany and Oliver Marach (3), Austria, 4-6, 6-2, 11.

Gilles Muller (14), Luxembourg, def. Liam Broady, Britain, 6-2, 6-1.

Denis Istomin (12), Uzbekistan, def. Kenny de Schepper, France, 6-4, 6-4 (6-4).

Alex Bogomolov Jr. (13), Russia, def. Martin Klizan, Slovakia, 6-3, 6-5.

Gilles Muller (14), Luxembourg, def. Liam Broady, Britain, 6-2, 6-1.

Mandy Minella, Luxembourg, def. Ajla Tomljanovic, Croatia, 6-4, 6-4.

Carola Suárez Navarro (4), Spain, def. Marta Domachowska, Poland, 6-4, 7-5.

Alize Cornet (7), France, def. Edina Gallo

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DRIVE

Top Gear

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If you work on cars, either as a hobby or to pay the bills, you'll appreciate a set of Zyklon ratchets from Wera. Their unique rotating-mass design allows you to easily spin the socket up to three times more quickly (according to the manufacturer) than a standard ratchet. Although tackling bolts is the Zyklon's primary function, it can also be used as a reversible screwdriver when fitted with one of a number of different bits. Its swivelling-ratchet design allows it to function at a variety of angles, which is especially handy in cramped areas. Wera makes Zyklon ratchet sets from 18-43 pieces with prices beginning in the US \$80 range for the basic set through amazon.com. The 43-piece set costs about US \$240. For more info you can also check out the manufacturer's website at www.us.wera.de.

WHEELBASE

Nice rims

As is the Scion way, the FR-S is shipped from its Japanese homeland with the expected load of standard gear plus aluminum sport pedals, a 300-watt Pioneer-brand sound system and Michelin Primacy rubber fitted to a neat set of 17-inch alloy wheels.

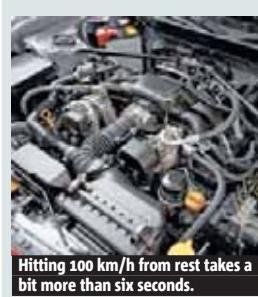
Premium fuel

This Scion is slim and trim — which saves fuel — with a rating of 8.3 l/100 km city and 5.8 highway for the automatic (9.6/6.6 for manual-gearbox versions).

But those numbers are offset by the engine's requirement for more expensive premium fuel.

2013 Scion FR-S

- Type: Two-door, rear-wheel-drive 2+2 sport coupe.
- Engine (hp): 2.0-litre DOHC H4 (200).
- Mileage: L/100 km (city/hwy) 9.6/6.6 (MT).
- Base Price (incl. destination): \$27,500.



Engine

As with Subaru's BRZ, the FR-S employs a 200-horsepower (and 151 pound-feet of torque) 2.0-litre "flat" four-cylinder engine (one bank of two pistons fires at 180 degrees to the opposite two pistons). The basic design is all-Subaru, while Toyota contributes a unique intake system.

Review. A marriage produces a car that neither Toyota nor Subaru would likely have had on their own

Look, everyone ... twins.

For Subaru, the BRZ becomes the exception to its all-wheel-drive, all-the-time rule. For Toyota's Scion division, the identical FR-S is the flagship model that the brand has needed from the start.

It's unusual for two competing automakers (although Toyota does own a small piece of Subaru) to launch closely similar products, but not entirely unheard of. But in the case of

specialty vehicles — 2+2 sport coupes, for example — that sell in limited quantities, it's a bit surprising, but ultimately great for buyers who could initiate a dealership dogfight in their attempts to score the best deal.

Scion, with its more prolific dealer network, should easily move its fair share of FR-S metal. FR-S stands for front-engine, rear-wheel-drive sport. And what impressive metal it is. The coupe's long-hood,

short-deck proportions are right on the money and the low hood, muscular fenders and curvy roofline give it a poised, gimmick-free appearance.

The FR-S represents the kind of breakout styling that the rest of the Toyota fleet should emulate.

The interior design also carries the Toyota stamp of approval, with big round dials flanked by even bigger round air vents. As with any sport model worth

its muscle, the tachometer (also big and round) sits dead centre in the driver's line of vision, with a smaller speedometer to the left and fuel/temperature gauges to the right.

With a road-ready starting price of \$27,500, the Scion-Subaru FR-S offspring is all about inexpensive fun. Remember what that was like?

No?

It's about time, then, that Toyota and Subaru got together.

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When introduced, the two-door Acura RSX coupe rode an all-new platform shared by the latest Honda Civic. Standard equipment included standard 15-inch wheels, front and side airbags, air conditioning and a CD player. Leather seating, cruise control, a sunroof and a 6-CD changer were present in the RSX's hardware list as well, depending on the model in question.

Compact, energetic and poised, the RSX quickly became popular with performance-minded buyers after a premium machine.

Common Issues

Be sure there's plenty of pad left on the brakes, and that they aren't squealing — which could indicate the need for a brake job. Check tire tread depth and condition, noting any abnormal wear across the tread width that could indicate alignment issues.

Note any owner-added upgrades, avoiding models modified with anything more serious than an intake and exhaust system. Improperly installed, modified parts can adversely affect the longevity of your used RSX and its various systems.



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Engine

All RSX models got a two-litre, four-cylinder engine. Standard models developed 160 horsepower, while the sportier Type S model made around 200, depending on the year in question.

What Owners Like

Owners of the RSX tended to rate its styling and driving dynamics the most highly, with comfort and performance falling slightly behind. Most report satisfaction with the RSX's mileage, handling, responsiveness and reliability.

What Owners Dislike

Common complaints include poor ride quality on account of the stiff, sport-tuned suspension, and limited rear-seat space.

Verdict

Ultimately, shoppers finding a good deal on a used RSX that fits their budget and priorities will likely join a community of largely satisfied owners.

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Trans-Canada Highway turns 50

Autopilot



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The Trans-Canada Highway, which turns 50 years old this year, is almost too Canadian. Like someone was working with a checklist, trying to jam as many Canadianisms into one entity as possible.

Like, is it big? It's gotta be big, right?

Well, how about, one of the world's longest national roads? This shouldn't be too surprising. One thing this country is not short on is width.

When it was completed in 1962, it encompassed 4,860 miles (7,776 km). Over the years, several more routes were added, so its even longer today (8,000 plus).

Did we have enough federal-provincial bickering?

Absolutely.

"From the very beginning, the feds and the provinces



One of the more recent and dramatic stretches to be added to the network known as the Trans Canada Highway 1, is the 13-km Confederation Bridge, completed in 1997, connecting P.E.I. to New Brunswick (and vice versa!). PHOTOS CONTRIBUTED

were bickering about who would pay, how much they would pay, where the route would go. This all made it a very typical Canada project," says Daniel Francis, author of the beautiful book, Road for Canada, The Illustrated Story of the Trans-Canada Highway.

But the last gap to be closed was a mosquito-infested stretch around Lake Superior, which actually became known as "The Gap." A paved road through there was not completed until 1960.

When I asked Francis about his favourite scenic stretches, he mentioned several — all those B.C. mountain passes,

of the major mountain roads in B.C., like the Big Bend Highway that links Golden with Revelstoke, were completed as "make work" projects during the 1930s.

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When I asked Francis about his favourite scenic stretches, he mentioned several — all those B.C. mountain passes,

the Saint John River Valley in New Brunswick, the road north of Superior — before he metaphorically threw his hands up.

"Well, you could go on about the landscape in Canada forever ... the road lets you see it."

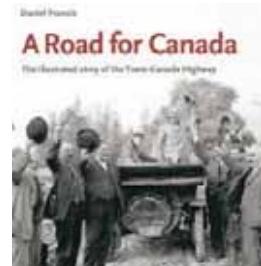
Celebrated in typical muted Canadian way?

While construction continued until 1971, Prime Minister John Diefenbaker officially opened the Trans-Canada on Sept. 3, 1962, in a screwed up ceremony on the Rogers Pass,

in B.C.. The sound system didn't work. The musicians were late. Speeches went on and on and on.

And while we've come to love our big highway, Francis notes it pales in myth-making capacity when compared to the first railway to cross the country.

"Unlike the railway, which was built very quickly, in a very specific period of time, the highway build spread out over many years. It was also a project that was made up of other roads, which already existed."



Also hurting its status as a topic for folk singers, is that it has evolved over the years to become more a system of getting across the country, than one magical, all-encompassing East-West route.

But there is lots of magic in that road (or system). Every Canadian dreams of hitting the highway and seeing the country at some point in their lives, and every Canadian can immediately picture Terry Fox and Rick Hansen on that highway, and when one does that, it's not hard to feel pride in being a Canadian.

Notes Francis: "It does seem that when we have an important statement to make, or some drama to enact, the highway tends to be the place where we do it."



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Automakers gear up for fuel economy

Driving Force. You switch gears in your ride all the time, but did you ever wonder how it all works?

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A transmission certainly seems simple enough when you're in your vehicle: put the shift lever in Drive and away you go. But that lever is attached to an extremely complex component that can affect how your car performs and what fuel economy it can achieve.

"You have an engine that's exerting power, and you have to put that power to the ground through the wheels," says Hayato Mori, manager of product planning for Honda Canada. "You have to put gearing in between to efficiently transmit the power from the engine to where you want it to go."

Sometimes the engine will have to work harder, such as when you're taking off from a stop, but at higher speeds the transmission will allow the vehicle to cruise along while using relatively little power, which helps save fuel.

Transmissions usually contain anywhere from four to six forward gears (along with neutral and reverse), and some automakers even offer seven or eight.

"By putting more gears in between, you change the ratio, so it needs less engine power," Mori says. "Let's say you're going up one floor, and the stairway has five steps. You go up another that has six steps. Going up five steps requires more work than six steps, because the six steps are smaller. That's the same kind of thing you have on a transmission."

Even so, there is still much that engineers can do with fewer gears.

"Even with a five-speed, you can change the ratio," Mori says. "On a flight of stairs, you can vary the height

Transmission talk

- Not all transmissions have gears. Many automakers offer a continuously variable transmission, or CVT, that uses pulleys and a belt or chain to achieve a theoretically infinite number of ratios.
- A transmission's greatest enemy is heat. If you tow a trailer or frequently carry heavy loads, make sure to have a transmission cooler installed if your vehicle didn't come with one.

Just like on a multi-speed bicycle, the various gears in the transmission are different sizes. By selecting the appropriate gear — either by the transmission itself on an automatic, or by the driver with a stick shift — maximum power is directed to the wheels while using as little engine power as possible.



A Honda six-speed manual transmission (cross-section) is pictured. HONDA

or length of the steps so it's not as energy-exerting. It all hinges on how well the technology works. We have five-speed transmissions that can

achieve the same or better than some competitors with six-speed transmissions."

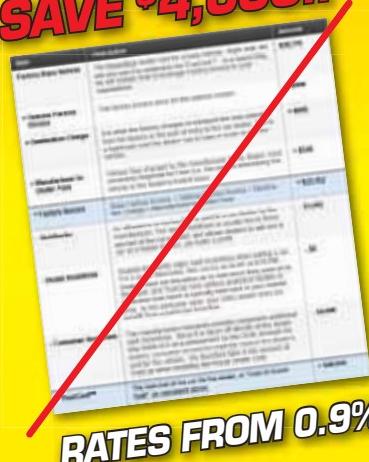
Adding more gears also adds complexity and weight,

Mori adds, and automakers must carefully balance the engine and transmission technologies to achieve maximum fuel economy.



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- 1 "And so to bed" diarist
 2 Differently
 3 Banjo sound
 4 "Tasty!"
 5 Suggesting a rainbow
 6 Lauren brand
 7 Low-pH chemicals
 8 Same old same-old
 9 Annual publications
 10 Fingerpaint
 11 Gaelic
 12 Vanna's cohort
 13 Unquestioning follower
 14 Writer Fleming
 15 Kimono closer
 16 Group of former USSR members
 17 Bando of baseball
 18 Thought
 19 College discussions
 20 — -tzu
 21 Conclusion
 22 In olden times
 23 Eminem's genre
 24 Wickerwork willow
 25 Old photo tint
 26 Hemingway sobriquet
 27 Progeny
 28 Mid-month date
 29 Scourge of serge

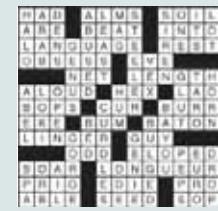


- 48 Bellicose deity
 49 Simpsons' neighbor
 51 Ram's ma'am
 53 Dine

Down

- 1 Shove

Yesterday's Crossword



Cryptoquip

This is a substitution cipher where one letter stands for another. Eg: If X equals O, it will equal O throughout the puzzle.

F	D	H	R	Q	B	F	C	L	Q	K	V	Q	T	B
B	Q	A	H	U	B	C	I	H	L	C	C	M	C	L
D	Q	U	G	H	Z	C	I	H	D	J	B	M	Q	A

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